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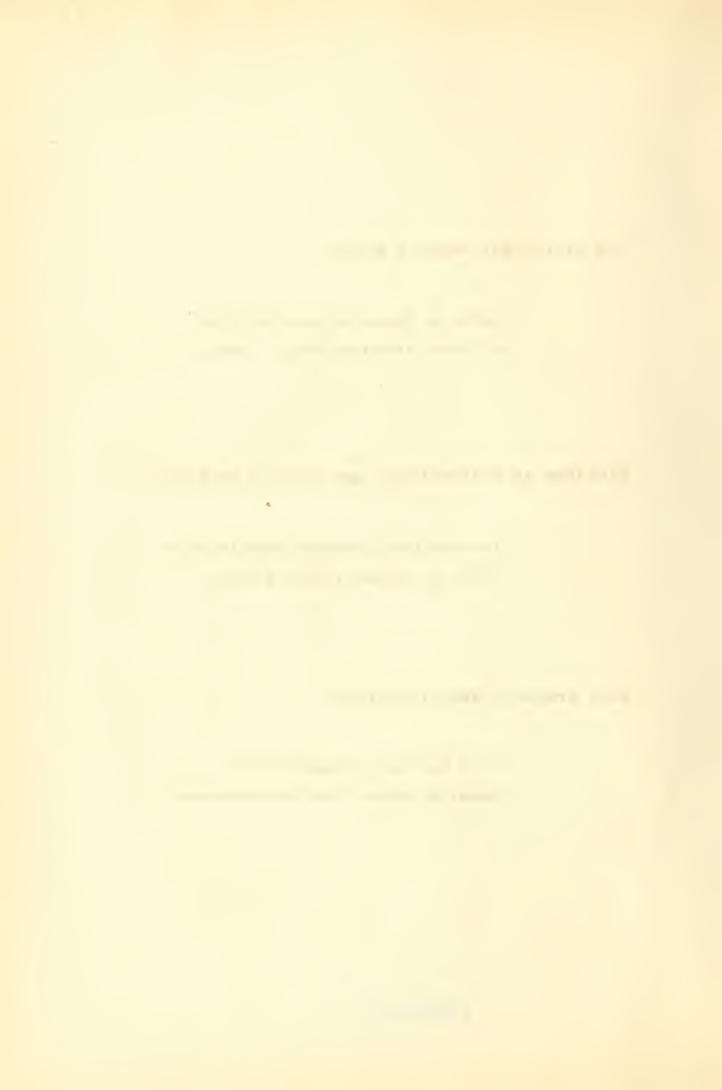
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PREFACE

By authority of a Presidential Letter, the Historical Records Survey, Works Progress Administration, was organized early in 1936 as a part of Federal Project No. 1, under the direction of Luther H. Evans.

The diary of Dr. E. P. Burton is the second publication in the manuscripts field in Iowa. Forthcoming publications include <u>Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in Iowa</u>, <u>Guide to Manuscript Collections in Iowa</u>, and calendars for various significant collections. Work in each phase of the publications program is in progress.

Dr. E. P. Burton was assigned as a surgeon to the Seventh Illinois Regiment, U.S.A., during the Civil War. His diary furnishes a dry-by-day account of his experiences in the hospital corps and during Sherman's march to the sea. The diary is the property of Mrs. I. G. Davis, daughter of Dr. Burton; her kind permission has made it possible for the Historical Records Survey to issue this book, thus adding to the available store of American historical materials.

The transcription has not reproduced a page-for-page copy of the diary which was written in three small notebooks. In other respects, however, no liberties have been taken; the capitalization, spelling, punctuation have been kept as in the original document.

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VOL. I

HEADQUARTERS

7 TH REG. ILL. VET.



Pulaski Tenn. March 7 (18)64

Just three weeks to day since I left home. A rather eventful three weeks. The first was occupied in traveling from Mass. to Ill. going to Chesterfield and back to Springfield on Saturday 20 Sabbath Feb. Spent in Springfield.

Tuesday

Started for Dixie----

Friday

Morning arrived in Nashville.

Sabbath Feb. 28

We started from Nashville and arrived in Pulaski and for the first (time) fairly went into camp. The first week in camp has not been exceedingly hard. Having been gradually getting used to the rations for army life, Yesterday my first Sabbath was rather agreeably spent. Attended a Tenn. bible in the morning, after which heared a sermon by a man that had no prayer for our beloved country.

At 2 P. M. came the "be ready to march with rations" Then followed them preparations At day break this morning all was astir 7 A. M. all that were able to go were on the move. Probably about 150 were left behind on account of sickness want of arms want of horses or some other case I was left to look after the rest. Sent one man to the Hospital and prescribed for some 15 others prominent among the first was a good sprinkling of Von. O! how terrible disgusting that some of our young men should make such worse than beasts of themselves Tonight I feel quite alone and rest but not lonely.

Tuesday March 8 1864

It has been a beautiful day with a clear but warm air - All nature is smiling - grass quite green - birds merry - This eve, I received, with pleasure my first news from home, It seems so good to hear from the ones we love, This eve I spent in writing to Hattie.

Wednesday--

This morning again beautiful I walked out before sun rise and picked some flowers to send to Hattie. The birds were singing merily-prominent among them was the lark and mocking bird - about sundown it commenced to rain & promises to be a very wet night, Begins to be lonely with the boys most all gone.

Thursday March 10

Nothing remarked. Rather monotinous, Cleared off this morning - & another pleasant day - grass so green - Wrote a letter to Windham last night & this morning - to Orlando



Friday March 11

Visited the contraband school this morning in company with Mr. Perkins, - Found 75 or 80 negroes - Some of them white ones - Five or six colored teachers - one grey headed man who took especial pride in governing the school - A curious school that - I commenced a letter to Rev. Mr. Platt this P. M. describing the scene, Walked out this morning & found peach trees beginning to blossom, Bascum Harlan called & spent this evening with me.

Saturday March 12

A rather monotinous day this has been - But four now sick - I spent most of the day finishing up Mr. Platts letter describing the colored school - covered eight pages of large letter paper.

Sabbath March 13

Another pleasant Sabbath not so unpleasantly spent as might be — This morning attended church at the presbyterian church — Heard a very good discourse from a stranger — He made out to pray for the soldiers of whom 4/5 of his congregation consisted. But he prayed just as much for reb, soldiers gone from among us & for their safe return home. To night received a letter from Hattie containing a flag from Willie.

Monday March 14 -

This eve, received a letter from Bainbridge containing my Photograph. This P. M. & eve, have been writing a letter to Hattie.

Tuesday March 15 -

Nothing remarkable today except the sight of seeing four men of the 18th Mo. Reg. drummed out of camp with their heads shaved & a board lashed to their back with the interesting title "Robbery" inscribed upon the board, Today is quite cold, a little snow squall this afternoon, The 9th Ohio Cavalry passed through today on the way south, One of our Reg, came in this evening after rations for the men.

Wednesday March 16

This morning still very cold, some snow squalls - at one time the ground was quite white, Willie Norton came in this morning bringing a white slave a refugee - most white. This eve. the Reg. all came in. I guess they were glad to get in & we were glad to see them, I guess they did not accomplish much, (no one hurt).

Thursday March 17

Nothing at all remarkable - A little warmer then yesterday - more sick on account of the men coming in.

Friday March 18

Monotinous indeed - I got mustered in today -

Saturday March 19

Another pleasant day - Have felt a little lonely today - more so then common,



Sabbath March 20

Went to the Methodist church this morning. Heard a rather dry sermon founded in the parable of the sower & seed, In the P. M. heard Chaplain Perkins preach - He touched quite lightly on rebellion.

Monday March 21. 1864

Cold North east wind, Peach blossoms do not come forward much, There is no tree yet in full bloom, Nothing remarkable has occured to-day till about sundown when word came to be out for a scout, In less than two hours all that were able got off with five days rations - Dr. L. said that he should go & I must stay - Then came the rush for excuses mingled with the busy hum of preparation, At $7\frac{1}{5}$ P. M. they were off, The report today is that Forrest is crossing at Eastport for a raid & our boys are ordered to oppose him -

Tuesday March 22

The weather has moderated so as to be quite sunny & warm this P. M. It has been very quiet - Had a call this morning from Chaplain Perkins, I thought he tried to censure me fancying that I did not approve all of his extreem antislavery ideas - Had a good, kind refreshing & loving letter from Hattie tonight, Caught Selby & others drinking a bucket of beer in my room today.

Wednesday March 23 1864

Things today have usually gone off quietly - Our medicines came today, About noon a messenger came in & reported the Reg. about 24 miles out - feeling their way carefully - We sent out 25 men to them. This eve had a game of checkers with Adj. Robinson. Yesterday about 11 A. M. I found Feltz in my room drinking a bucket of beer with two friends. A warm, pleasant & beautiful day.

Thursday March 24

Another pleasant morning, but cold east wind - Before night it clouded up & this evening it is raining - How very suddenly the weather changes here - Hardly ever stays the same 24 hours or even 12 - Quite monotinous today -

Friday March 25

Wet & nasty today - This eve, I commenced a letter to Mr. Berry but Bascum Harlan coming in I had to suspend & put it over, Wm. Baker & "Judge" Nelson set with me this eve.

Saturday March 26

It cleared off this morning bright & warm - a beautiful day - The Reg. sent in tonight for rations & Medicines - They have been issuing whisky yesterday & today & the result is a general "drunk" One man from the 2nd Iowa, in liquor, run into the river & drowned, Liquor makes me mad, as well as others - I have seen but little drunkeness since I got south because the soldiers could not get liquor -



Sabbath March 27

A beautiful Sabbath attended the Presbyterian church This afternoon staid at home read some & wrote a letter to S. J. Lee. I am troubled about and with this yellow girl that came home with Dr. L. She is keeping a houseful of men after her at the expense of the reputation of the whole house.

Monday March 28

South wind with a prespect of rain, Wm. Norton came in this eve, from the Reg. no particular news only they seem to be enjoying themselves, watching the enemy, Rain with Thunder and Lightning to night.

Tuesday March 29 1864

This morn at sunrise it looked clear & smoky, but by eight o'clock, the wind rose - became cold & cloudy & there were almost snow squalls - Several prisoners (Ohio deserters) came in today. Norton did not go out today - will go in the morning - Nothing else interesting.

Wednesday March 30

Willie left this morning for the Reg. I learned this morning of an act of Laura (the yellow girl) that has done some thing to retrieve her character in my eyes — She went a few days since and informed the Col. of the 66th Ind. of an insult by two of his men. He has returned each one to his company (they were on some duty away from their com.) & put them on extra fatigue duty, This P. M. I went over to the 52d & found Horace Brintwell, Willie Baker left this P. M. for his corps. One of our men today in liquor knocked another down & bruised him seriously — I entered a complaint to the Commander in regard to the liquor excesses, I asked Feltz if he knew where he the man got it the liquor — he answered "no" — but there was a peculiar hesitation in his speech that attracted my attention, I received this eve, a cheering letter from Rev. Mr. Platt, He acknowledged the receipt, of, & complimented me for my long letter upon the "contraband" schools.

Thursday

Friday March 31

A very pleasant day - mild south wind - commenced raining since dark - This P. M. was called upon by Dr. Bur & Dr. McLean - The latter of Laurenceburgh - Came to look after a negro woman sick in the other part of the house - They gentlemanly & courteous & we consulted together in regard to the woman - They said she would die in less than 36 hours - recommended stimulants & a blister -

Friday April 1 1864

Rained all night - and wet all day - This eve, cloudy and cold N.W. wind - The sick negro woman died before sun rise this morning Dr. McLane called this morning & talked a long time - He seems anxious to get his black girls home - He has two here - He seemed to talk quite union but still he hates to give up slavery, Have made a back gammon board today and spent a good deal of time playing gammon & checkers - I told Dr McLane that asking his girls back he ought to make one promise viz. That he would give her an education,



Saturday Apr. 2

Pleasant - after dinner walked over to the Contraband Hospt. Got a little acquainted with the surgeon, Dr. Donahue & had an hours chatt, Came home & found a letter from Hattie, Read it over several times, Spent most of the fore noon playing checkers and with Lieut. Roberts & Elliott - Seen Chaplain Perkins play a game of chess, Spent the evening till midnight writing to Hattie - advised her not to go to Aunt M's, Asked her advise in regard to my going into a negro Regiment.

Sabbath Apr. 3 1864

Felt dull this morning for having sat up last night till after 12 o'clock Pleasant Morning - Went to church this morning in company with Lt. Elliott, at the methodist church, Quarterly Meeting - Pretty good preaching, Preacher requested the soldiers in future to sit on the south side of the house, as many of the ladies had stayed away from the church because the soldiers had taken seats on the side with them, In P. M. heard Chaplain Grant of 12th Ill. after which went out a mile to see a black woman (18) sick with the measels - Has a child one year old that is half white - I am quite sure that in half the negro children I can see white blood, That feature of slavery is more marked than I expected. The wenches seem not at all ashamed of their yellow children - This fact alone is enough to stamp slavery as an unholy & a scandalous thing - Licentiousness seems a natural result of slavery.

Monday March 4 (Apr.)

Got up this morning at six - Read a chapter in the bible, Quite cold & cloudy - Loned Frank Morse to go to Nashville after the Col's horses, but I fear really to "spree", - This P. M. went out a mile to see a colored woman with measels - She is aged 18 & has a mulatto babe - Another girl in the same house has a mulatto babe, I am surprised to see among the negroes so much licentiousness - It seems the natural results of slavery - I think in nearly half of the slave children I see white blood - The Adj. seems to be most drunk all the time - & others are most as bad - Liquor said to be gone, I hope it is so, Four of our men came in today with prisoners - Most of them came in as diserters & wished to take the oath.

Tuesday Apr. 5

Cold this morn, — but warm & beautifully pleasant this eve, Sent a letter out to Dr. L. this morn with his mail by a squad of men — Laid around rather lazily today — This afternoon E. Davis came up sick with probably smallpox — After supper I walked out in hills — Clouds broke away so that the sun set clear notwithstanding there was a rainbow this morning — I strolled on the hill & mused till dark — On the way home came across two men who were singing & holding secret prayer — I could not resist the temptation to stop a while partly in hearing & enjoy the hallowed spot, It arroused in me pleasant feelings to think that there were two soldiers came out to fight for their country, now fervently praying for themselves & their enemies, their country and peace—Got home at $7\frac{1}{2}$ & found Dr. Adams & Lieut. Roberts just come to call upon me, It is half past nine & I must read a chapter & go to bed.



Wednesday Apr. 6

The aniversary of the first day of the battle of Pittsburg Landing. I have today heared several of the men very thoughtfully advirt to that time, A beautiful day - the warmest one I have seem in Dixie - Walked out 12 miles to see a Wench - Where they have fences the farmers are busy plowing for cotton. This P. M. I had a harrassing adventure with Lt. Hoffman, Mustering officer, He drove up on a fine black horse reeking with sweat, I went to the door - He jumped off & came in, said he -"Dr. have you any spirits Frumenti" - 'Yes' I said - "Then let me have a swallow" - Before I had fairly considered the thing I reached under my cot & took out a bottle most full - He took it hastily & turned down a big horn undiluted - By that time I saw that he was already most drunk, but I consoled myself by thinking that perhaps that was the only way I could get rid of him - After swaggering around for a few monents he left - in 20 minutes he came back with Adj. Robinson, He said he must have some more, I told him he could not have any more, He said he must & should have it - He first coaxed, then threatened, then swore, then laughed, etc, etc; By turnes I laughed & defied and threatened him, After a half hours parleying, during which time he went & found the bottle drant freely himself - compelled Robinson to drink & unsuccessfully tried me, he left persisting in carrying the bottle, but finally left it on the table by my promising to give any army officer who came along wanting it a drink - This promise, of course, was with a "mental reservation" I had previously told him if he carried off the bottle he would get himself into trouble as well as me.

Thursday Apr. 7 1864

Another beautiful day - Col. Rowett arrived at noon today - I was glad to see him - Hope he will keep things more orderly then they have been - This P. M. I rode a borrowed horse down to the river and saw the artilery drill. The great feature of the day has been the arrival 120 or 130 contrabands from the Tenn. River, south west from here - They came with six or eight teams - some oxen & some mules - one four mule team, They came with their wagons full of baggage - They were taken right over to the contraband camp (negro corell) - It is difficult to conceive what is to become of all these people - In slavery these are to be pitied - freed all at once & unprepared for the thing they are just as bad, They said what induced many of them to come was the report that they could go to school up here, They said many of their masters had gone away & our soldiers had got all the provisions & so they could not stay at home.

Friday Apr. 8 1864

Rainy this forenoon - Hence I stayed in doors all day & most of the time alone reading - This evening I went down to the Presbyterian church on hearing the bell ring - I found the Chaplain of the 2nd Iova was preaching to the soldiers, A good number there & apparently having an interesting time - They have had preaching there most every evening this week & I had not learned the fact till tonight. Willie Norton came in this eve, & has been giving us interesting narratives of their adventures.



Saturday Apr. 9

Cold & rainy - Chap. Perkins said he has entered his resignation although I am not satisfied with the way he has abandoned the Reg. & entered into speculation & still I rather hate to have him leave, Willie Norton has been home all day - This afternoon I was a little mortified at sending a patient to the General Hospital & having them decide that the case was smallpox, No other interest.

Sabbath Apr. 10

Staid at home this forenoon & read one of Spurgeons sermons - I thought it better then hearing a secessionist preach Attended church this afternoon & eve at the Presbyterian church & heared one of the Chaplains preach.

Monday Apr. 11 "1864

The Col. started to the Reg. this morning - Willie Norton & 30 other men went with him, A fine day - After surgeons call I dressed up & went down in town & called on Chap. Perkins Received no letter from home as I had hoped, This eve, I asked Lt. Roberts to go to church with me - He went, The Chap. by way of illustration had a good deal to say about rebellion & slavery. Lt. Roberts from some cause went home. - He said he was not well. I fear he did not feel at home. There was a very good attendance & some interest. Another immense train of blacks came in today. - The Dr. Leonard sent a man & his wife here. I do not know what he intends to do with them.

Tuesday Apr. 12

This morning cold & cloudy - This eve, it has cleared off & it is a beautiful moon light evening -. This has been a peculiarly gloomy day to me -, perhaps the most so of any day I have had. This morning I excused Lt. Elliott, when perhaps there may be some question about his deserving to be excused, I afterwards learned it stopped a whole train going firegong & perhaps brought on me the curses of some of the officers & men -. Then came a cold, cloudy & disagreeable day -. Then to complete the annoyance I failed to get a letter from home -, The first time a letter has failed to come through by Tuesday and sometimes as early as Saturday-. Some of the times I have felt disappointed some of the time blue & almost discouraged & some of the time almost cross -. Went down & saw the Chaplain at 5 oclock & talked over an hour - Came out of his room with the intention of going to meeting after walking a while -, but felt so lonely & disheartened that after a half hours stroll I went home -, Have been written a few lines to Dr. Leonard & looking up his mail to sent to him.

Wednesday Apr. 13

Nothing remarkable today - Looked for a letter from Hattie, but none came -, Received a good one of six pages from S. J. Lee -, Have written a letter this P. M. to sister Maria. Have a little headache this P. M. caused I suppose from getting so little exercise-, Towards evening I walked down to the river & inspected the beef corell and slaughterhouse -. The beef was a curiosity - They called them nice beeves, but I thought some of them would need help to get up, A few boys have just come in from the Reg. bringing a sick man from a New Jersey Regiment -



Thursday Apr. 14 11/64

Gen. Sweeneys grand Division review today. Some eight Regiments & some Artilery -. The greatest event of this day is the arrival of a train of 440 negroes with 30 or 40 teems -. I was going down to meeting between sundown & dark & met the train - A mournful sight -, All ages & all colored fleeing from slavery.

One horse, two horse - two mules, & six mules teams -, the rear brought up by 15 or 20 on horse back -, Further last there were probably 10 or more on foot old or young. Mothers with babes at the breast - little ones just able to walk hanging on -. Some talking, some singing & some crying -, All seem terribly tired & hungry - They were sent on to the contraband camp -. One poor woman with six children - one at the breast -, came back to our cook room, & begged for some place to sleep. - Said her husband was in the army, That her babe was sick - & they were all tired cold & hungry -, Nest her down to a comfortable negro house where we knew they would be better taken care of than we could do -.

Friday Apr. 15

The particular interest of this day has been my visit to the contraband camp. I walked there ($2\frac{1}{2}$ miles), I found some 500 or 600 of all ages laying around on their goods. \rightarrow Some asleep & some nodding, Those out of doors came in yesterday & last night many of them came in 10 P. M. and many at sunrise this morn.

There are some 1200 or 1400 in the camp. Some 30 or 40 log houses are built and laid out in regular orders, all looking very nice & tidy, I was surprised to see them look so nice. The ground was all swept perfectly clean. They are putting in some 200 acres of cotton & a large garden. They have a blacksmiths shop in full blast, & a man making plows. — All done by the negroes. — They had a school but crowded out at present on account of room.

I saw one girl most white who had learned to read quite well in six weeks -

Saturday April, 16 - 1864

Nothing of particular interest - Col. Rowett sent in his horse today to me with the request that I should take care of him and use him as I wished -. Cold today; as it has been most of the time thus farr.

Sabbath Apr. 17

Opened a pleasant morning - thought it would be warm -, Clouded up by noon, - Rained by 2 P. M. and is raining hard yet -. Went to the Presbyterian Church this morning - did not go to the soldiers meeting this P. M. So cold I made a fire this eve, & Nelson & Hedges came in & read some. Now they have gone to playing checkers, - I thought they would have more respect for me than that, I can't endure it long, So cold I have not enjoyed reading very much today.

Monday April 18.

Clear, warm, & pleasant this morning, cloudy & cold this P. M. Repaired my horses. Lt. Hoffman apologized today for his conduct the 6 Inst.



Tuesday Apr. 19

One pleasant day, though some cloudy & windy in the middle of the day, This eve is a still, beautiful moonlight night, Had a ride on "old gunboat" after dinner - Rode west till I came to the pickets - then to the R. R. Depot then around town - This Willie Norton came in - also a train of 40 or 50 negroes. - No letter from home this week -.

Wednesday Apr. 20

Pleasant morning. Had a good long ride after dinner - Went up over the hill back of the fort through the camp of the 12th Ill. onto the pike & home through town. - A day or two since I discovered that two bottles of our whiskey had been stoling - I have but very little doubt where it has gone to, but still it makes me feel disagreeable about have to suspect those I call my friends.

No.2 Head Quarters Hospt. Dept. 7th Reg. Ill. Inft. Vol Pulaski Tenn. Apr. 21/64

This morn opened warm — noon raining — eve, cloudy with warm south wind, Received a letter from Hattie yesterday & sent one this morn, to her that I commenced last week, Wrote about seven pages — Several are going to the Reg. in the morning — among them Lt. Roberts, I wish to go but dare not leave, Have been pretty well vexed lately about liquor — I am getting teased so much as to wish there was none. I hardly know his object but Hedges asked this morning to borrow some, saying Dr. Leonard was going to send him in an order for some & he would pay me. I mistrusted it was a blind to make me think he had none or had not had any — That would be one way for him to think he could make me believe he had seen nothing of two bottles, Then Feltz came to me this eve & asked for a few spoonsfull for a sick lady — I said No—thinking all the time, how I smelt his breath very strong this afternoon, One thing I know, Vis. Sabbath eve when I went to get some whisky for Frank M. I took the bottle in the corner or next to the corner. I

am pretty sure the corner one marked 4 - if
mistaken at all I took the No. 5 - Tuesday I
first discovered some was missing I thought
one bottle - But on Wednesday morn when I
looked at the box carefully & recknoed how

many we had used I saw that two were gone Viz. No's 5.6 - No 7 I took out Wednesday to send to Dr. L. Monday & Tuesday morning Hedges took the key after breakfast & came up as he said to sweep out - Each morning he was here about an hour alone & each morning after surgeons call when I came up I found the curtains all down, I mistrusted at the time something was wrong -

Friday Apr. 22

Pleasant all day - A very warm south wind, Eight or nine went out to the Reg. this morning - Rode one hour & a half after dinner, & after supper had some checkers with Mr. Nelson. Beat 4 out of 5. Mr. Hedges



kindly offered sweep out my room this morning, so while I was attending to the sick call he had the room to himself, but no W. gone - This eve I learned that he this morn. tried very hard to get the closet key, but with out success.

Saturday Apr. 23

Had a letter from Bain & Frankie I wrote to Bain & F. B. Lawson, Bought a poor horse to day of the Chaplain - He has resigned & started this P. M. for home, Warm - Rained a little this eve.

Sabbath Apr. 24

Rained last night - cold today, Did not go to church this morning - because I don't like a secesh - Staid at home & read rather lazily - Went to church at 2 P. M. & heared Chaplain of the Second Iowa - Coming home called on B. Harlow - His eyes are some better, but entirely unfit for business - After supper rode a mile or two on my horse.

Monday Apr. 25

Pleasant - In middle of day quite hot but fresh west wind. Have felt dull & bad today - This P. M. & night head aches - rode out a mile or two about sun down. Fee lonely today.

Tuesday Apr. 26

Another fine day - hot at noon - Hedges came in last night to bed just midnight - I expect he had been playing cards at Nelsons tent & perhaps gambling - I got a pass & after dinner rode out on the Nashville pike beyond the contraband camp & back (8 miles) I felt much better for the ride -

Wednesday Apr. 27 1864

Very warm - This morning I made my first operation of extracting a ball from a colored soldiers arm. - Then took him to the Contb. Hospital, I had found the bone was broken - They propose to operate on his arm tomorrow. At noon came an order to pack up & be ready to start tomorrow morning, Hence confusion - This P. M. came an order that one of our Reg. was to be hung tomorrow at 10 oclock for shooting his captain about a year since, It seems melancholy.

Friday Apr. 29

Way down in Alabama Here I am on my first tramp, We broke camp in Pulaski this morning and went some 23 miles & camped at the house of an honest appearing but not very rich farmer - He seems to be a true union man - Stood the tramp very well - just tired enough to feel like resting - Pleasant day but quite warm, The country is pleasant, but part of the way most too hilly for convenience, I enjoyed the ride - but had some lonely thoughts on leaving Pulaski. All hubbub in Pulaski, this morning - Every thing moving out.

Yesterday Private Myers of our Reg. was hung - It made me feel sad - I did not go to see him executed, He shot his captain 15 months ago. He was sentenced to be hung but lay in prison most one year waiting for the president to approve - Two months since he was released & came back to the Reg. But in an unexpected monent the sentence has been looked up & with the approval of the President, - Wednesday an order was given for him to be hung on Thursday at ten oclock - He was



consequently hung - In the P. M. I witnessed a very severe operation on a negro soldiers arm - Eisection of a part of the uper third of the hunerus - took an hour.

Athens Alabama Sabbath May 1

May day - A beautiful Sabbath Had a fine shower last night, that cooled off the air - Last night we got moved into "our hospital" away down here in Athens Ala. - And today although we are almost without furniture & without patients, we are resting & having a pleasant Sabbath in our splendid house - Went to church this morning - Think it was a methodist - Preaching course - Every thing rusty - 1 dozen men -2 doz. boys & as many girls - & two or three seedy looking pharisees -Perhaps half a dozen soldiers were there. This P. M. I have been writing to Hattie - A little before night I was sent for to see a lady (refugee) taken in labor the result of measels - The man said none of the citizen Dr's would go because he was a refugee . This eve got three letters one from Hattie one from Windham & one from Rev. Mr. Platt, Yesterday morning we left our camp & traveled (11 miles) in the mud & most of the time in the rain arriving before noon at Athens - We were sent to camp in some empty Barracks - Wet, tired, & with a headache I started out (after getting a little dinner) to see what I could do for a hospital, I pitched upon a nice house just vacated by the 391 Iowa, & by suppertime we had our things moved in & some hot tea with sugar & cream also bread with canned peaches, We made our bunks in good season & were tired enough to sleep well last night.

Monday May 2

Have been rather quiet around the Hospital - Pleasant day, Went a mile in the country today to see a sick lady & found her dead, Found a house full of refugees - quite destitute most half of them sick, Our two first patients came in today, Have not done much but slick up the rooms, Hedges looked up a stove & I lost my halter.

Tuesday May 3

Cool & clear reported fighting in front, at Ringgold - Every thing both about the house & town is quiet & still - Sabbath like - Dr. Feltz came today with our goods - Barrel of whisky was got yesterday - Hence the usual amount of drinking, drunkenness and fighting - Also silly officers laying around, Went up in camp this eve & found some of the boys had been stealing some of it, some had been drunk & one fight had come off this P. M. Captain Sawyer had the barrel moved to his quarters -

Wednesday May 4

Another beautiful day - Four officers & 8 or 10 men went to the Regiment this morning - The whiskey was locked up last night so I did not see the evidence of so much drunkeness as yesterday. We drew four galons thinking we might as well have or spill it as the rest, I gave one galon to the boys, & told them no one need ask me for any more. I called over to see our neighbor across the way this eve, chatted some time & went in to see his girl sick with the measels. He told me the citizens were quite seriously frightened by the soldiers leaving here, & the place being so much exposed, They seem to expect a raid in here most any day.



Thursday May 5

Another fine day - pretty warm in middle of the day - This morning the boys took the ambulance & went to deserted Rebel house (lately a hospital) & brought away two or three boxes of phials, some books - & a book case, Very quiet & still around today - as it has been all the time.

Friday May 6

Another fine but hot day. Between 40 or 50 went to the Reg. to-day - leaves us pretty lonesome here, I had the tooth & head ache to-day - went to Dr. of Sth Ohio & got some roots dug out. Feel pretty well this eve, Went in tonight to see Mr. Tanners girl with Dr. Cammon.

Saturday May 7, 1864

Another Hot day - Another rather dull day, & day of some anxiety. For several days there has been an increasing feeling of uneasiness & insecurity. Citizens & soldiers are all fearing a raid from Forest or some other Guerilla, It appears that a good portion of Forests command is across the river 40 or 50 miles below here supposed to be watching for an opportunity to cross - Went in to see Mr. Tanners girl again this morning - Called on Dr. Donahue today - & this eve, Dr. of 9th Ohio called on me.

Sabbath Nay 8

Today has been a day of increased anxiety and excitement, Early this morning we learned that two or three rebels Regiments had crossed a little above Florence capturing some of our men & dividing them.

Many rumors have been flying - one that Quartermaster Harrison & others were killed. One that the Rebs. were within 9 miles of this place,
Tonight a dispatch came from Pulaski that Col. Rowett had retreated to Laurenceburgh (25 miles from P.) & that he had lost a good many men killed, wounded & prisoners - The rest of the Reg. at one this P. M. were at Elk river (15 miles west) watching & harrassing the enemy,
It is all uncertainty - We little know what an hour may bring forth,
I just begin to fancy a little of the stern reality of war. It is no very pretty thing, I hope I may be able to do my duty faithfully, & if I do I know that I shall be sustained by an all powerful arm.

Monday May 9

Still a great many conflicting rumors - 17th Reg. Wisconsin came in this morning from Pulaski on the cars, Also one of our men - He says Col. R. & men got in to Pulaski last night - today there have been all kinds of rumors - that the enemy were coming first from one way & then from another - No train down this evening - said to be delayed on account of an enemy between here & Pulaski. So I get no letter from home today - If there is trouble on the road no knowing when I shall get a letter - Some of our boys have been scattering in today, What is left of these two or three companies which were not with Col. R. are now at home - They report no enemy this morning over seven miles this side of Florence, It is nothing very agreeable.



Tuesday May 10

A quiet day till sundown. Commenced raining at sunrise & rained hard for an hour - Cloudy but no more rain till 5 oclock when it rained terribly with thunder & lightning - A little before dark straggling soldiers began to arrive. Then they kept pouring in in the rain for two hours said to be between 3 or 4000. They camped just outside of town - & such bonfires & such hooping. Then such a crowd of men clambering at every fence of every house - filing the yards & staggering in at every door - Tired-, wet -, cold, & hungry -, I would like to have opened my doors to them but could not, It is a part of the 17th A. C. come up the river to Olifton thence to Pulaski, thence here - Tonight we get rumors of Grants victory in Virginia, We hope he is successful but have some fears, No mail today, Rowett started towards Florence this morning from Pulaski - A squad also went from here, So the scarecrow of Forrest is gone for the present.

Wednesday May 11

A terribly rain last night & town full of wet soldiers - Some 3000 of the 17th A. G. came in last night & this morning on their way to the front - They may probably stay here a few days. I saw Lon. Brown coming in this morning - in company with a battalion of "Non vets" - Then before noon in came Dr. Leonard & Willie Norton, I was glad to see the Reg. together again - This P. M. Dr. L. & myself moved into a room in Mr Tanners house opposite our hospital. He asked me to come.

Thursday May 12

Pleasant but comfortably cool day - A very little frost this morning - Took in a patient today for the 14th Wis. who has the symptoms of being very sick with (perhaps) typhoid fever, Called this eve, on Dr. Cammon & took tea with him, Seems to have an interesting family, - wife was an Ohio woman who came here teaching. They had a little grand-child there three years old who gave me a good night kiss, Today sent \$5.00 to Mr. Ingman for another dozen pictures.

Friday May 13

A beautiful day - Cool & bracing north west wind - All the Reg. that were mounted started out again this P. M. I suppose for Florence - Some 600 of the 9 0. Cav, went also. The troops are all waiting here yet, - Today as well as for several days past we have been hearing of Grants victories in Virginia. I am so afraid of hearing of, as so many others have been, "Disasterous victories".

Saturday May 14 - 1864 -

Nothing remarkable has occurred today. Cool & pleasant, Troops all laying still — Heard from our boys, that they lay last night near Elk river, Spent an hour or two this P. M. reading a portion of a book exposing the R. S. G's.

Sabbath May 15

A beautiful day - Went to church this morning - What a change. While last Sabbath there were only two or three dozen at church & not over ten soldiers, today the house was full & all soldiers but a dozen girls & one lady & about two dozen citizens. There was also a chaplain in the desk who made the closing prayer - At half past one was Chaplain



preaching to a good congregation & at half past five a prayer meeting, All in the methodist church. We have got two or three pretty sick men in our hospital -, so sick as to give me a rather anxious look, We continue to hear of Grants success. What is he should fail after such terrible sacrifice of life.

Monday Hay 16

No particular news today from the front, nor from our boys, from whom we are getting anxious to hear Have been writing to Hattic this P. M. ordering some clothing, Nothing else of interest, Have been enjoying some music this evening by Mr Tanners girl -

Tuesday Nay 17

Had a very pretty little shower this afternoon & evening, At 2 oclock this morning one of our patients Mr. Piper (an older bushwhacker died, Looked rather hard to see the old man within 15 miles of his family dying & not one of them around & probably know nothing about his sickness — About morn there was a report that the Rebs had crossed the river just above Decatur & destroyed a R. R. Bridge 8 or 10 miles from here, Also news that our boys yesterday occupied Florence after some skirmishing — A precious letter from Hattie this Evening — Dated at H. Parkers.

Wednesday May 18

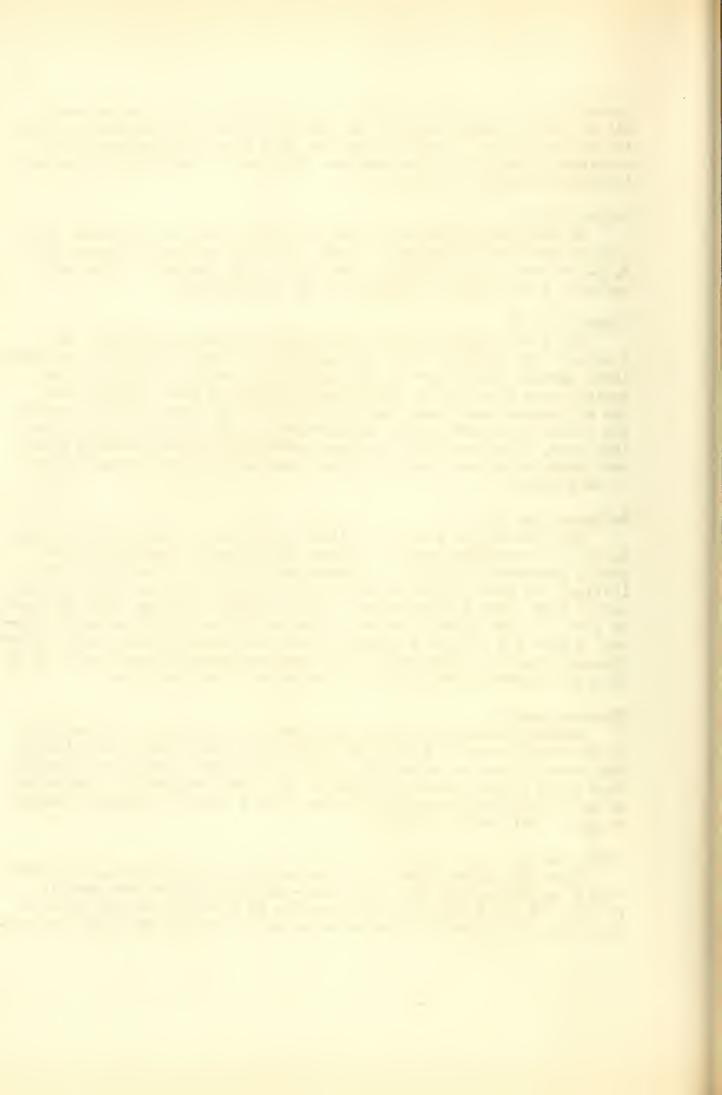
This morning we were not a little surprised, about breakfast time to see the whole Reg. come in - They left Florence yesterday before noon & traveled all night. It seems their mission accomplished but little. The Rebs skidadled and left but little booty or glory for our boys - Last night & this morning I had a slight diarrhea which has made me feel weak and poorly, but am better tonight - This P. M. (after supper) I rode out of town & while my horse was eating grass I had a rather pleasant time all alone musing upon the beauties of nature etc. - It is said the troops of the 17th A. C. leave us in the morning -

Thursday May 19

Another beautiful day - I was waked up this morning before light by the revillee sounded from the different camps - Before six o'clock they were all moving - Has been quite still today. Spent considerable time today playing chess with Dr. L. He rather worsted me, After tea we had a very pleasant ride up to the fort & around, His horse tried to show considerable speed.

Friday May 20

Very Very quiet - Went out this morning to see the Reg. in inspection & mustering, for the first time - Reports today of reverses in Virginia C! how I wish & pray it may not be so - What should we do if Grant should fail - It is suspected we may be called out again tomorrow.



Sabbath Morning May 22

Omitted my journal last night because Dr. L. & myself got so interested in a game of chess that we played till our candle burned out & for want of an other one had to go to bed - It was not late however perhaps 9½ - Decidely warm yesterday - Felt just tolerable well only weak & lank - Slight diarrhea Remained in house most all dayonly walked around town after sundown. Wrote a letter to Windham - part to Mother. I fear that Grant is not going to have success before Richmond - What should we do if he is defeated - I fear I should be discouraged.

Sabbath May 22

Warm day - 840- Went to church this morning, but I felt weak and poorly that I did not enjoy it very much although there were a good number of our soldiers (7th Reg.) Preaching moderate - I have eaten but little today - some corn bread & rice - After dinner took a nap since which have felt better - But little in the hospital to do but look to some cases of sore eyes.

Tuesday May 24

Got so engaged playing chess last eve with Dr. L. that I did not fill my journal, Nothing remarkable occurred yesterday only it was very hot about 840 & I felt tired & faint, took a few teaspoonfulls of whisky a little before noon, think it helped me some, Had a fine shower in the night - & another, quite nice one this forenoon, While at supper today there was brought here a woman & her children, came from Florence Her husband a deserter from the Reb. army joined our Reg. last winter but was captured with some of the other boys at Florence about two weeks since, - We had expected he would be shot, but the woman said she had heared he had escaped & was on his way here, In about a half hour he came & although I know not what passed when they met, I know I could not help but rejoice for them to think of their happiness & to think of his narrowly escaping death, He escaped thus - When they were about to take them out of a room where they were confined he climbed up into the chimney (the rest making a kind of rush for the door so as to bewilder the guards) & remaining there till they were gone.

Thursday May 26

After coming to our room last evening Dr. L. & myself had a game at chess - We both tried our best getting through at $10\frac{1}{2}$ by my check mating him. It made us both so nervous as to injure our sleep, I'll not play so hard again after bedtime. Nothing else yesterday, only very pleasant & cool after the shower - Fine bracing atmosphere today. I am feeling stronger & better today - Have spent an hour or two this P. M. reading Life of Napoleon - At 5 P. M. went to the Depot and saw three carloads of wounded soldiers going north - 24 to 30 in each car - They said there was probably 50 or 100 more to come on. There have 3 or 4 carloads or more come through here most every day a week past.

Saturday June 4

I have been to sick for the past week to care or to feel able to write. Last Friday I felt so well & so hungry as to eat quite freely & at dinner I eat quite heartily of _____ (nikel) but poor & tough



beef - It was too much for me - did not digest but gave a severe head-ache soured on my stomach, produced pain in my bowels & next day had diarrhea again - & felt generally bad, diarrhea did not last much but one day, but my stomach has not felt right since, I feel tired faint & hungry but mouth tastes bad & all my food distresses me & lies as a load on my stomach. I am getting so weak it is most as much as I can do to get over to the hospital - This noon I went in & eat some green peas at Mr. Tanners also a little Mackerel. I do not know as they hurt me worse (perhaps not so bad as) other things - I had a boiled egg this morning -

Sunday June 5

Feeling better today than for several days before. Food tastes good. Had some chicken & some boiled eggs today. Eat dinner with ilr. Tanners folks - had a piece of chicken pie - a spoon full of green peas - one little bite of Mackerel & best of all a good plate of nicely canned peach - Walked out a little piece this evening - Little or no diarrhea but bowels rumble a good deal -

Thursday June 9

I am still gaining some but slowly - Appetite pretty good but most all food sours & distresses me. Rode yesterday some two or three miles, made me some tired - My tongue is constantly coated & tastes bad. Last eve. the Reg. was ordered out. Dr. L. started but came back to stay the first night. This morn he started again - So I am in charge of the hospital. I got a can of peaches this P. M. to see if they would not help me - They tasted terrible good - cost only \$1.25 a can - Rode out two miles this eve. Only one train of cars today & that going south. Rumors of fighting east of Decatur, & road torn up -

Friday June 10

Pleasant 82° - Cars running regular today - Feel very much better today - Eat a hearty dinner of chicken & green peas, did not hurt me at all - also eaten freely of my peaches - Rode out this eve to a deserted plantation & found some very poor cherries beginning to ripen, I eat some, Paymaster in town - They say we shall be paid in a day or two.

Saturday June 11

I am feeling quite well today - Rode down to camp & chatted there an hour this morning - was weighed—weighed 136 - Just after noon the regiment all came in on a run & with "yells" - We are to be paid in a day or two - Rumor notes says confidently we are to be dismounted - Rode out again this eve & got some more cherries - They seem to suit my stomach first rate, The boys "captured" (stole) four sheep this morning -

Sabbath June 12

Felt most too tired to go to church today - Has not seemed much like Sunday - The Reg. all in to be paid off could not be expected to keep quiet - A great deal of noise & singing with some horse racing - Among the latter I am sorry to say that Col. Rowett was found - We went down tonight to sign our payroll - Have felt & eaten very heartily



today - Rode out again this eve & got some more cherries - Hedges went with me. What beautiful country if it were not for the sins of rebellion & slavery - Expect to be dismounted and leave this place immediately.

Lionday June 13

Cloudy & quite cold. This had been a memorable day to the boys on account of the presence of the paymaster. Has not got near all the Reg. paid yet. Im a little perplexed in several accounts - First, I hoped to get a letter from Hattie today, but failed, Second, there is but little doubt that the Reg. will be dismounted & sent front, & perhaps tomorrow, & I think most probably there is a box of clothing on the way from home, that will not get here for several days & we shall be gone, & I may loose the clothing, and lastly there was a little error in my pay roll so that the pay master threatens to not pay me. The error can be easily corrected by erasing a date & correcting, but as likely as not he will take a notion to not do it, & I shall have no remedy.

Tuesday June 14

So I lost getting my pay today with the rest, through a very trifling error, But if it had got to go like many of the boy's money I am thankful. I have been down through camp twice this P. M. - & eve, & the camp is full of gambling holes - I see but little drunkeness but enough chuck luck board, - Also a great many blankets spread out on the ground with a pile of money on one corner & various piles of cards in the center,

Sent our patients to Nashville this P. M. - So part of the Reg. down to the cars this eve, & then they were sent back. Cheered by a good letter from Hattie this eve, Post marked at Phil, Thursday June 9 I answered it this eve. It has been a beautiful day - cool & with a bracing atmosphere, We took tea out to the neighbors this eve, - Some of Hedges arrangements.

Wednesday June 15

Another cool & beautiful day Another day of confusion - All tore up & moved down to the depot. The hospital department & three companies got on board & left, The rest went back to where their camp was - Of the hospt. department I am left here alone, We took breakfast & dinner out with a lady friend of Hedges. Had meat & good potatoes for dinner - also a big sweetcake. This eve I took tea at Mr. Tanners, After supper had a talk with Mr. Price on slavery. Seems quite lonely all alone. -

Thursday June 16

Getting full comfortably warm again this P. M. At 4 oclock the remainder of our Reg. got off. I have passed my time rather lazily today. Except about the time the boys started I went down to camp saw them packing up to start Dixie — Went to the depot & saw them off. After that I had an invitation from Mr. Parrish (sutler to an Ohio Reg. who is here now) to take tea with him. He stays with his brothers wife — His brother, who has been with this reg. in front came back today. He came direct from Rome where we expect to go. He says there has been



terrible fighting & great loss - Says the loss has been 15,000 - A good deal higher than the papers give it. Had a pleasant call - Sorry I had not got acquainted with Mr. Parrish before, There are but one or two other northern ladies in town

Friday June 17

The item of special interest today is the passing through here of 4 or 500 sick & wounded soldiers. The morning train took more then 100 at noon there were 300. All were fed here with light bread & hot coffee - It seemed good to gratify them with hot coffee. This eve Nelson came back from Nashville - Nothing from my box yet.

Saturday June 18

Walked out a mile this morn - got a few poor cherries - Black - berries not ripe - Nelson left this eve. I commenced reading a book he left viz. Hannah Thurston - There are again reports that the enemy are crossing the river, Two of our boys got pretty mad being arrested for drunkenness by some black soldiers - I saw some excitement produced by a sutlers striking a soldier being taken to the guard house.

No. 3

Athens Ala. Tuesday June 20/64

Yesterday & day before I neglected my Journal - But there was nothing of interest to relate - Sunday I went to church - Monday went & made the sick call for the 9th A. Co. - Most of the rest of the time I spent in reading Hannah Thurston, Sunday wrote to Hattie - Waiting with as much patience as possible for my box to come.

Tuesday June 21

Cool & cloudy - rained a little, The officers of our Reg. left with ordinance stores left this P. M. They expect to go to Huntsville today - & start for the front tomorrow or next day, Contrary to all my expectations the mail from the south brought a mail for the 7th & among it was one from Hattie at Phil. - Have been my room most all day reading Hannah Thurston - My box was not shipped till last Wednesday -

Wednesday June 22 1864

I am beginning to get quite impatient that my box of clothing does not come. I am beginning to question whether it has been sent at all or not. It was to have been sent a week ago last Monday if not two or three days sooner - Next it was to be surely started a week ago today, but if it was delayed two days longer, I presume it was not sent at all on account of our proposed moving, This morn I tramped two or three miles with Mr. Tanners boys to hunt dewberries, We got a few. Finished reading Hannah Thurston this morn, I hardly know what to think of it, He treats every one he meets too sarcastically, I think his treating Hannahs craving for tobacco smoke so familiarly would make a decent woman blush, Still I believe his exemplification of the true relation of man & woman is pretty nearly just - It is all overwrought a little.



Athens
Thursday June 23

Quite a warm day - nothing of particular interest, Spent most of the forenoon writing to Henry Goodsell Wrote two sheets of note paper-Spoke mostly of & described the refugees & the poor whites, Very current rumors today that Forest is certainly crossing below Florence, My box does not come today & I am thinking I shall start tomorrow, I hate to leave Mr. Tanners where I am so comfortably situated and getting fat on good living.

Tilton Ga. Sabbath June 26 1864

Here I am away down in Ga. - A terribly hot morning - & I am taking it as coolly as I can, sitting on the floor, writing on a bench. Tilton has about one dozen houses but I see no signs of church or school house, I think the inhabitants excepting a few families have fled. The remnant of a train of cars stand on the track, that were burned a few nights since with their contents, but a gang of Reb. soldiers they also burned a mill just in the edge of the torm as also a R. R. bridge near by - The cars were running again in about 24 hours. Our Reg. is partly here & partly 6 miles north of here on the R. R. left Athens Ala. at 3 P. M. Friday - Athens & vicinity was in some excitement for the report that Forest was on the south side of the river with 20 or 30 thousand men. I arrived at Stevenson at Midnight waited around there to 300 A. M. then took the cars for Chattanooga. Arrived at that place about 7 - We crossed the great bridge across the Tenn. at Bridgeport just at daybreak - & from thence on I had a fine view of the grand mountain scenery between that place & Chattanooga. The most interesting of all was the sight of Lookout Mountain with its rocky pinnacle where the Rebs once had their battery inaccessible by any force from the front, At Chattanooga I found quite a number of our officers & men on their way to the regiment. I then learned that our men were at Tilton, Jumped on board the cars for the fort in a hurry, but it was II before we started, go out three miles & one of our boys (a little tight) fell out of the cars (cars under full speed), without hurting himself half as much as he ought to have been, A little farther on we narrowly escaped a disastrous collision. It was only saved by our train having just stopped to water, Arrived at our place of destination about 7 oclock, tired & sleepy but upon the whole standing the trip better than I expected. Found no mail for me excepting the C. Env. of dates of Apr 29 & May 6 in one package.

Lionday June 27

So hot & I was so tired I did not write in journal after noon., When the mail came last eve I got two letters one from Bainbridge & one from Lucinda. I wrote to Hattie in P. M. - It seemed very little like Sabbath. About dark there were rumors of an attack, which kept the camp in a stir all night Today it has been just as warm as ever except a little shower about sundown that cooled the air a little.



Wednesday June 29

Yesterday morning I felt well & eat heartily of hot biscuit which soured & made me vomit before noon- was sick with headache & backache all day - Today I have felt quite well again only rather weak, Lounged round quite lazily today till after tea when I rode down two miles to where Capt. Kings Col is, & where there is a construction corps at work, went to see a sick man - Rode my horse following the R. R. Track. Passed the reck of the train the Rebs run off of the track & burned about one week since, The engine & piles of grain still lay there smouldering, Most of the cars with the wood work burned off had been hauled back up to Tilton, Had a pleasant and healthy ride only I kept thinking how easily the guerillas might hide in the bushes & either shoot or capture me, Got home about dark. Saw only a few small openings among the forest - Some large trees but mostly underbrush. two men from a Wis. Reg. came in - They were captured at Chickamauga last fall, Had not seen coffee since they were captured nor but little else but corn bread (containing bean & whole kernels of corn) & occasionally a small piece of bacon, & some rice soup - They escaped in southern Ga. by cutting a hole through the bottom of the car, & crawling out two at a time. Traveled only nights. - Saw only negroes who fed them but never betrayed them, Forty days on the road, With all their hardships on the road they gained flesh all the time on the negroes donations.

Thursday June 30

Nothing of interest - Cloudy therefore not quite so hot as some days - 90 - Rode down to Co. H. again this eve, in company with Hedges, Feeling quite well again -

Saturday July

This morning the 17 Iowa came to take our place, hence we expect to leave sometime, I received a letter for John W. Newton, & I was gratified by a good letter from Hattie containing her Photograph. In order to answer it by tomorrow mornings mail I set up quite late. Rode down to Co. H. (Cav. Corps) again this morning.

Sabbath July 3

Went to Capt Kings camp again this morn - Dr. Feltz went too. Called on some secesh ladies - Mrs. B. - whose husband is in the Reb. army and her two sisters (Misses Simms) who were genteel girls - The lady said if whe knew that she was to be treated half as bad as she had been she would have gone south, They were romantically secesh, - This eve our ambulances came through - Has seemed but little like Sabbath - Sent letter to Hattie this morn -

Honday July 4 1864

The aniversary of our national independence has passed without any demonstration of joy. Showers around last eve. cooled off the atmosphere so that it has been very pleasant today - A fine cool breeze - Out teams & ambulances came in last night - Dr. Feltz went down to see my man in the construction corps this eve. - Called on a citizen Dr. this eve - Rumored we start for Rome next Wednesday.



Tuesday July 5 -

Prospect of our leaving soon as we are making arrangements for sending our sick to Chattanooga - Think some of going myself to see about my muster in -, We saw a fire in the north this eve (about $8\frac{1}{2}$) about the same time information came that a train had just been captured & burned two miles north of here, only a engineer wounded.

Wednesday July -

The train burned last night was 5 miles - The wounded engineer came & staid with us. Flesh wound through the breast, They were all robbed of their hats coats, boots money & every thing else worth carrying. The train loaded largely with sugar & coffee was effectually burned - Even so as to burn the ties underneath & bend the rails, Have not yet got the track laid - Hence no trains today - Most all the soldiers in the place started out at 7 this eve - The Rebs reported camped out some 6 or 8 miles.

Thursday July 17 (7)

The boys came about noon terrible tired & sore. They went out about twelve miles before midnight & back this morn. Saw no rebs. - Sent our sick to Chattanooga this eve - We are packed to go to the front, Cars commenced running at 4 P. M. four trains went up & 12 or 13 down probably nearly 300 cars -

Saturday July 9

Rome Ga - Here we are at last with the rest of our Brig. came through from Kinston about noon after about 12 hours ride on the cars, Left Tilton yesterday P. M. arrived at Kingston about sundown, The things which in me excited the most interest was the desolated face of the country, Hilly & naturally rather barren - but little of the land cleared of the forests, & not one tenth of the latter improved this year - A few fields of oats - & but a few of them saved from the cattle - Of the little corn that was planted not one tenth had ever been cultivated, A few planting corn in the spring, were then conscripted & obliged to leave there. The road from K. to Rome, following the valley of the Etowah is through better country - Still we passed but a few real planters houses - Rome at the confluence of the Etowah and Oostenaula is a fine town - Three strong forts are in & around the town, The wealthy secesh have most all left the town, - The Iron & other works abandoned -, and the whole town is really turned into a great hospital designed to accommodate several thousand sick - At present I understand there are about 1300 - We were put into camp south of the river, Have not yet got fairly settled, Last night at Kingston was my first real experience in camping out.

Sabbath July 10

But little like Sabbath I heared the bell ring this forenoon which reminded me of the day - but we were to much unsettled & I too tired to think of attending church, Spent the forenoon & a part of the P. M. in writing a long letter to Hattie. I received one from her this morning. Also wrote to Julia for my box of clothing. This evening I rode over in town with Capt. Johnson, rode around town & back to the bridge too late to cross without the counter sign - Rode back to the provo. Marshalls office, - There to camp of 50th Ill. & from there to Gen.,



Vandeveers office before we could get the countersign, By this time it was near nine oclock, and the pleasant moonlight ride, the view of the town, the discovery of the different headquarters & the novelty of the first experience in this kind of business all made it quite interesting to me. At the Gen's Head quarters, I had an introduction to the Generals Adjutant Totten —Got home at $9\frac{1}{4}$ — I found Rome decidedly a fine town At present it is mostly occupied as an immense Gen. Field Hospital.

Lionday July 11

Took a walk on the top of hill near the pontoon bridge, & through a burying ground. Dr. L. was off all the forenoon plotting I expect, in regard to hospital arrangement -. At dinner time I received a detail to report to Dr. Grove to serve in the Gen. Hospital, Went down to see him, Sent me to Dr Morse to serve in Division No 4 - He assigned to me one room containing 35 patients mostly with chronic Diarrhea & Dysentery. It was on the lower floor of a large store -- A good room splendid for a hospital, - large & airy - counters taken out. Found them with good nice iron cots, with good matresses & clean sheets, But few were very sick, but I was actually surprised to find how short they were for necessary supplies, One with scurvy had pickles once or twice & no other suitable diet, At supper time they distributed a slice of bread to each one - They were to have tea but could not get it in season to soak their bread because there was no spare bucket in which to bring it from the kitchen My 35 got less then one quart of milk to distribute to the whole, The diarrhea patients crave potato or some other vegetable, but they cannot get them. What shall I do? - hope I may be able to do my duty -

Tuesday July 12

Tired - Got up in good season this morning - Attended to a sick call of 20 or 25 - At $8\frac{1}{2}$ started for town - Called at the sanitary commission to see what was there, - most empty - entirely inadequate to supply such a hospital. Spent all the forenoon in looking over my ward - Waking out the Diagnosis etc, etc. Came home at just dinner time, After dinner went & spent a hour finishing my ward. Found them suffering for milk & vegetables - One with scurvy had nothing better than pickled cabbage. The patients get milk at the rate of three quarts to the 100 men, Before I got ready to come home there came in a train with over 100 sick 250 or 60 wounded, one had lost both legs below the knees. I did not wait to see them all unloaded. It looked a little like war.

Wednesday July 13

Very tired have prescribed for nearly 75 patients in Gen Hospbeen there most all day, 150 came last night & 150 more this morning. Recd a letter from Hattie tonight.



Thursday July 14

Another warm day 95° - & another day of hard work - Spent most all of the day hard at work in the Gen. Hosp - One patient died today & another was evidently dying when I left.

Friday -

Staid down all day - another patient died - That makes three - two of them with a disease I do not understand - A swelling of the parotid gland - Got tired tonight hunting for my horse -

Saturday July 16

Another day of hard work - Sent a letter to Hattie today directed to Windham Rode over to the post Hosp this eve, - A little headache tonight, - Went to the creek to wash tonight.

Sabbath July 17

But little like Sunday again - I wanted to go to church but was so busy at the hospital that I had not time - I get tired every night, Heared tonight that no officers were allowed to go to Chattanooga, if that is so I can almost give up getting my box.

Tuesday July 19

Yesterday felt too tired to write. Wished to get some rest for today. Today I did not go to town but am, by making a long forenoon I got through at the hospital. Had a letter from Hattie this P. M. & commenced a letter in answer — Sent another letter to Julia yesterday. I feel bad for the poor fellows in Hospt. who cannot get suitable supplies.

Wednesday July 20

Stayed at the Hospt till middle of the P. M. - eating a little of their soup with the nurses, The poor fellows do not fare quite well enough - Toast was cold & dry - tea poor - Beef soup was quite rich, & good. Two of my patients died today, - This P. M. I finished Hatties letter & sent it off.

Thursday July 21

Felt some pain in my bowels today - & rather languid - So I did not go to town this P. M. which I should have done if I had felt well. I am worried very much to think of the sufferings of the boys in the hospital. What can I do.

Friday July 22

Had another patient die today with chronic Diarrhea in whom I was much interested, He leaves a wife in Ohio - Capt. Smith came home today with his guns - The 17 shooters, He was in Ny the day after Hattie left that town.

Saturday July 23

Got home from the hospital about noon — did not go in the P. M. \rightarrow Had a letter this P. M. from Bain, I answered the letter & sent it out this eve, Went up on the hill south of camp after sun down & had a good lonely muse.



Saboath July 24

Cool & nice day - Went to the Hospt. & worked till the church bell rung - Then went to church - A citizen preacher in the presbyterian church. I believe he is a fine preacher & I liked his sermon much - Got home about three oclock & had our dinner soon after, This P. M. have been reading the Christian Era -- & tonight some of the boys are gambling in the other end of this house - At church today the house was full - mostly soldiers - Church was commodious and nice.

Monday July 25

This morning it was so cold I was almost obliged to keep on my coat all the forenoon - The midday sun was hot enough however. Bought a half bushel of potatoes this P. M. & after supper carried them down & distributed them among the patients of my ward, It seems good to do a little kindness to those men.

Tuesday July 26

The great interest of the day is the order that all the non-vets start tomorrow morning for Chattanooga, to be mustered out. Hence naturally an immense amount of confusion and noise - Came home from the hospital a little afternoon thinking I would write some letters but in the place of that I got to reading Capt. Smiths letters from his "Funny little mix" - In answer to an advertisment in the "Waverly" of last Dec. for a correspondent wanted he received over 225 letters from different ladies all over the country - Hardly a legal state that was not represented, - Many were excellent letters & evidently from ladies of superior tallent & accomplishments - Most of them seemed to be from young girls a great many were evidently school girls, Some of them interested me much. He has never answered one of them - His Lieut, Judy has taken up & carried on a correspondence with one, This eve, for the first time saw the Reg. in dress parade.

Wednesday July 27

Had a letter from Hattie. Saw the non-vets down to the Depot, this P. M. → Went to see Dr. L. this P. M.

Thursday 28

Asked to be relieved at the hospital today - I failed for these reasons only 400 sick & wounded came last night & today several surgeons were sent for from the front, Called at Post hospital today & borrowed \$25 of Dr Leonard.

Friday July 29

Today one of my patients said the nurses the night before drank up the milk punch - I told Dr Morse & he said arrest him & send him to the guard house, I sent for the guard & told him I was going to have him arrested, I however excused him in his explanation that the punch was sour & spoiled & he gave it to one of the other nurses who drank it.

This afternoon I went to the mustering offices & got remustered The old muster was defective, Last eve, after I got in bed the mail
brought me a letter from Julia Willard with express receipt for my box.



Saturday July 30

Nothing of particular interest today, Attended a rather uninteresting post mortem examination today, Maj Estabrook came here from Chattanooga today & said there was a box there at the express for me.

Sabbath July 31 1864

Had a powerful good shower this P. M. - This P. M. I finished up a letter which I commenced yesterday to Rev. Mr. Platt.

Lionday Aug 1

I went to the Hosp twice today. Took a extra ward today because Dr Horse was sick - Makes me tired tonight with some headache, This morning I dressed a wounded citizen shot through the shoulder by some querillas He was trying to make his way to our lines for protection.

Tuesday Aug 2

Spent this A. M. at Hosp. as usual - In the P. M. the Med. inspector came around. I but just spoke to him. After supper had a call up to the grave yard to see a man of the 39th Iova who had a kind of fit, - After that strolled through the soldiers burying ground reading the names & musing upon the scene - Also went on top of the hill to see the battery - Had a good letter from Hattie dated at Windham one week ago today -

Thursday Aug. 4

Yesterday I think I had good reasons for omitting my journal viz my box of clothing came yesterday P. M. & of course I was too busy look-ing over things and then writing a letter to Hattie in answer to one I got from her the night before. Every thing in box came through in good shape Today the surgeon of our section of Gen Hosp. is sicker then ever & he told me he had recommended me to be detailed in his place, No paymaster yet -

Friday Aug. 5

Nothing remarkable today - Dr Morse has been so sick today that I had to take two extra wards of his - Went down in the P. M. & did not get home till most sun down.

Saturday July 6th

Had some fine showers this P. M. - Went through with my two wards & one of Dr Morses & got home before noon - Nothing remarkable has occurred today.

Sabbath Aug 7

This morning I hurried through my wards so as to have time to go to church. I went & heared what I called a real good sermon - His subject was prayer - He prayed for our country - possibly it was done in such a way as not to offend rebels, but really I think he meant to pray for the federal government, He is a fluent interesting & earnest preacher. This evening a train came loaded with 149 sick & wounded soldiers.



Honday Aug 8

Just six months since the date of the acceptance of my commission but this evening after 10 oclock there has been another turn in my future. The paymaster refused to pay me on account of the informality of my muster, So future goes without money - & I do not know what I shall do next to get myself & papers straight.

Tuesday Aug 9

Spent most all day at the Gen Hosp. - Dr Marsh took charge of the Hospt today I got relieved of all but two wards today - The colcalled a meeting of the officers this eve. Had a letter from Hattie.

Rome Ga. Monday Aug 15/64

Last Wednesday Wed 10 eve. I attended the officers adjourned meeting & presided but had to leave on account of illness - After going to bed I had a letter came from Julia sending a duplicate recpt. for box. -

Thursday I felt quite sick - Did not go to the Hospital - Headache & some fever - Some billious - Friday the same - Saturday not much better though I took some blue mass Friday night - Sunday a little better - and today so much better that I rode down in town -. Yesterday (Sabbath) Frank Morse started for Phil. - and took a line to Julia, - Today there are rumors of a great rebel raid on the R.R. between here & Chattanooga - My horse (that I turned out this P. M.) has not come home yet - I suppose it is rather careless turning him out so -.

Thursday Aug. 18, 1864

Nothing remarkable now - I am feeling about well - Found my horse last Tuesday morning near the picket post. Went in town this morning & drew the months rations - running in debt. Has rained a little most every day for two weeks - Sent a letter to Dr. Merrifield yesterday. Today have been writing to Wm. Baldwin. No mail from the north yet this week.

Friday Aug. 19" -

Today I have to record a most melancholy accident. Two teams & our ambulance went out foraging today with an escort of ten men. They were attacked by some rebs who killed one man. (Sargt: Billington) & mortally wounded another. Our Medical Sent. Dr Feltz was shot through the arm. - While still another had his leg broken in the melee by having his wagon wheels run over it. The man so badly wounded was sent to the post Hospital, While Dr. Feltz remains with us. I took the ball out of the other side of the arm - This A. M. I rode up to & looked over the fort on the north side of the town - I understand that the ladies house was burned against where the accident occurred today.

Saturday Aug 20

The points of interests today have been the burial of our poor friend Billington, & also the ejection of the family from "our" Hospital building — They seemed to feel pretty badly — I have been down this P. M. helping clean out etc.



Wednesday Aug 24

Last Sabbath Morning Wm Ross died from the wound received last Friday - Rained all the forenoon - Sunday P. M. we went on a trip with 50th Ill. - Went out 10 miles & camped. Monday at 2 P. M. we got back, having seen not a reb.

Tuesday we moved our hospital mostly - & today (Wednesday) we have finished moving & setting up our things in our new place, I think we are going to have a good place, I have worked pretty hard moving & regulating things & getting cleaned up around the house - I try to sleep here tonight for the first time.

Saturday Aug 27

Too much hurried & tired to fill up my journal last night & night before - We have a good nice place here & I have worked hard to get it arranged nicely & as a reward Dr. L. tells me this evening that I must go to take care of the 1st Ala. Cavalry. It makes me almost provoked to think of going. Got watch fixed this P. M. I had a boat ride this eve, sent papers to Orlando & to Mr. Upham with account of the loss of our foraging party.

Sabbath Aug 28

Was called up this morning at 3 oclock with a sour stomach & diarrhea. Have had headache & felt sick all day - Had I been well I should have been obliged to go to the 1st Ala. Cavalry - I must go tomorrow if I am able. I dread it & expect no comfort, Diarrhea stopped & feeling some better this eve.

Monday Aug 29

Feel quite well today only a little weak - Went over to the 1st Ala. Cavalry this morning & reported for duty, The Surgeon there (who had broken his leg) said he could do well without me till there was a scout ordered & gave me the privilege to come home & stay till he sent for me, This eve went up to head quarters & found the quartermasters department all drinking - Alie Feens home disgusted with Phil. Military school.

Tuesday Aug 30

Attended to the morning call this morning - After that wrote a letter to Julia. This eve rode over to the 1st Ala. Cav. The Dr said I might come back & stay till he sent for me.

Thursday Eve Sept 1 1864

Today & I have been tired & sleepy caused by my ride yesterday About noon yesterday I had orders to go in the country to look after some wounded persons — So with an ambulance & an escort of six horsemen we started immediately — Went east 5 or 6 miles to Capt Bennetts camp — left our horses, crossed the river & went $l\frac{1}{2}$ miles — found a boy 15 shot & with severely fractured femur just above the knee, also a girl about the same age shot through the axilla & out near the sternum. They were shot by our pickets while attempting to escape the Rebels, He was not a soldier, — Left her, but brought the man in — Today have done but little — Played chess some with a Reb. Col. No letter from home this week. Road is torn up north of Chattanooga, We hear today that McClellan is nominated for Pres.



Friday Sept 2

Nothing of interest today. This morning I rode over to the 1st Ala. nothing wanted there, - Hear of the fall of Atlanta, Also confirmation of the nomination of McClellan. 18 deserters came in today, No mail from the north on account of the destruction of the road.

Saturday Eve. Sept. 3.

Dr L has attended to the patients in hospital for several days, but I have attended the morning call, Think I shall go over to the Cav. Regiment to attend their morning call tomorrow, & leave our Rege for Dr L. - I rode over there this P. M. & got caught in a shower coming home, The taking of Atlanta - & the fall of Ft Morgan confirmed. Many prisoners reported taken at Atlanta Capt Smith came home with more guns.

Monday Sept 5

Here I am in my new quarters with the old Co. - In a little house by myself. - Moved over this P. M. getting caught in a splendid shower-Brought a bedstead & matress & that is all the furniture I have except a small box I have which answers for our table & everything else.

Yesterday morning (Sabbath) I came over & attended morning call here - Went to town to find preaching - found none so I called into the rooms of the Christian Commission & learned something of their doings - At night received a letter from Hattie - Been two weeks on the road, Minnie had been quite sick - I also sent a letter to her last eve, must of written Friday -

Wednesday Morn. Sept 7 1864

I did not write last eve, for the reason that I got so interested hearing two loyal refugees (Wm Smith & Robt. Heflin of Randolph Co. Ala) tell their stories They were both lawyers — Smith a very agree—able intelligent & interesting man left his home one year ago last spring travelling in his buggy to Corinth. He got through by putting on his best clothes & the airs of one of the chivalry, so passing through the country answering the salutes of all the Reb. soldiers. The other a man of 55 or 60 came in yesterday morning — He with another man had to flee for helping union men get off to our lines. He seems to be a man of ability & respectibility for he was a few months since chosen Senator to the Ala. legislature, Yesterday I was arranging things around my new quarters & in the P. M. I rode over to the Hospt. of the 7th.

Evening - Have examined about ten recruits today - all refugees & most of them Reb. deserters. Rode over in town this eve, to our Hospi-tal, No mail - has been none through from Nashville this week. The 7th Reg. has been moving today.

Thursday Sept 8

Nothing remarkable - went outside of the picket this A. M. This P. M. went & drew rations.



Friday Sept. 9th

A beautiful fall day - cool & refreshing Have spent most of the day writing a long letter to S. J. Lee, describing the feelings of the loyal refugees, & of Wm Smith & Rob. Heflin in particular - No mail yet - none expected for several days at least.

Sabbath Sept. 11 -

Nothing of interest yesterday - Last night I read in a "History of Greece" till late- Slept till the breakfast bell rung this morning - got up & eat so hearty a breakfast as to make me feel dull with a head & back ache all day - feel poorly this eve, Have spent most all of the day in my room & alone, most of the time reading in the above named history - It is rumored there is a mail from the north tonight, but I am not sure of it.

Londay Sept 12

Rode over to Hospital of the 7th this morning & got a good & cheering letter from Hattie It contained a letter from Willie & a picture from Minnie - This P. M. I have been writing home, Feel most sick today, Severe head & back ache.

Tuesday Sept. 13

I feel a little better today although I slept uneasily last night & sweat a good deal - today my head aches some. Have tried to overcome this without medicine - do not know whether I shall succeed or not. Have kept pretty still today. Have read a little in History of Greece.

Wednesday Sept 14

Got up this morning feeling some better, eat but very little breakfast. After surgeons call I went to town & then to the 7th Hospital - Stayed there to dinner My ride made me hungry & the sight of some good things made it stronger & eat quite hartily & this P. M. I have felt about well. Got my & borrowed a book of enlisting & discharging soldiers -

Thursday Sept 15

This forenoon was quiet - This P. M. there was a threatened attack & the forces were all got out. The Rebs came within two miles of town & showed two pieces of artilery and I heard two or three belligerent cannons - The first in my life - No one hurt, tonight the troops lay on their arms, but it is not known what they mean to do - Got a letter from home today.

Saturday Sept. 17

Another day has slipped away & I can hardly think what good I have done this week - Yesterday I went over to the 7th hospital & staid to dinner. I went again this eve, for supper & found them in a great excitement thinking the Rebs. were going to attack us. Several refugees in today from Randolph Ccunty - one Dr.



Sabbath Sept 18

Have staid at home all day — spent most of the day writing a letter to Orlando — Wrote two sheets of experiences in Dixie — Sent a letter to S. J. Lee this eve, after sundown I went up on a hill & had a pleasant view & a good time for meditation.

Monday Sept 19

Saw Dr. Davis this morning right from Randolph Co. His story is a sad one, but no worse than thousands of others. Also saw Dr Kingston right from Maccupin County. I think he may enter this regiment as Asst. Surgeon.

Tuesday Sept 20

I have kept very quiet in my room today - No excitement. Sent a letter to Orlando today of 10 pages giving some account of times & feelings in Dixie.

Wednesday Sept. 21

Woke up this morning before day & found it raining - Rained quite hard all the forenoon - The first rainy day we have had for a long time, Today I saw & talked with Lieut Fishback I found him from Maccupin & some of the Mr Fishback who married D - Lees daughter of Chesterfield, He got home last night from a trip to Randolph Co, Ala (60 miles into Dixie) He went out about a week since with eight men to recruit in that county, They went disguised as Rebel soldiers obtained 27 men & got back with his men all mounted without being detected, It was a daring exploit frequently meeting, passing & repassing Rebel scouts.

Friday Sept 23 1864

Yesterday P. M. I went over to town & being caught in a shower (which proved to last all night) I staid all night with Dr Leonard & came home in the rain this morning - Today Dr Swaivings "Leave of Absence" came, so this P. M. I went over to town to get transportation for him, Found a letter for me from Rev Mr Platt - A long & very interesting one, Examined five recruits who just came in from Randolph Co. Ala.

Saturday Sept 24

The thing of particular interest today has been the starting for home of Dr Swaivings We got him off on the train this P. M. As the river had risen so that we could not cross the river on pontoons we got him over by carrying him some & then getting another ambulance on the other side - No letter from Hattie this week.

Sabbath Sept 25

Rained yesterday & day before but last night it turned, around cold so that I almost froze before morning - Today a beautiful day - This eve a fire feels good. No letter from Hattie today. Stayed at home & wrote to Hattie today.

Monday Sept 26

I have spent a good deal of the day trying to fill out a certificate of disability for a man with Epilepsy Recd two letters this



morning - one from Hattie & one from Mrs Upham & Mary, very glad to get them - This P. M. I went over to the 7th Hospital.

Tuesday Sept. 27

The remainder of our Division came to Rome last night - I was over in town this P. M. & took tea at the 7th Hospt. We may have to take a march soon - perhaps tomorrow.

Thursday Sept 29

Today Dr Davis & Dr Steward came & reported for duty. I think I shall be relieved here in a day or two. Dr Stewart stayed with me last night & stays tonight - Yesterday was over to town & got caught in the rain & had a game of chess with Dr Pickett.

Saturday Oct 1

This P. M. I was kept quite busy examining recruits. Examined 21 - passed 14 - Some were terribly disappointed - teased for the privilege of going to fight - They would ask if they might only go along with the soldiers - Just before sundown Morton & I went over to town to see a sick refugee that we sent to the provost marshall this morning. The Marshall sent him to a rich rebel with instructions for them to take care of him.

Monday Oct. 3 1864

Yesterday was showery & I staid at home - Spent the day rather lazily - Dr Davis being quite sick & in my room since Saturday I have had a poor time for reading & writing alone - Today started for town after dinner but found the river so high that the pontoon was impossible, Another big shower this A. M. It is getting terrible wet here. Morton & myself had quite a talk with Dr Stewart today on slavery - We against it & Dr S. defending the institution.

Thursday Oct 6

The last three days have been so full of incidents of importance that I am sorry I have not kept them recorded but there has been so much hurry & confusion I could not do it - Tuesday A. M. the bridge not being repaired I walked down to the river, got in a skiff & rode from the shore to the end of the bridge & so passed over - Went up to the battery & got my watch (left there to be regulated) then down to see our sick man at the rich rebels - & then over to the 7th Hospt. just in time for dinner, Leonard was gone somewhere so I did not see him - Walked up to the battery and mused a few monents Saw Capt. Smith & started for home. Stopped at the 4th Div. Hospt. Also at Hospt of 57! Ill. - Saw Asst. Surg. Bishop who showed me a letter from the 122 Ill containing a account of their fight at Tupello & the wounding with a shell of my old friend John Johnson - was grieved to hear it was a mortal wound - While there I heard that the Div. had marching orders started home & at the bridge met Col. Spencer who said he wished me to go out with the Reg. as soon as the bridge was done. Hurried home, got ready & packed up my valise to have sent to town if I had a chance -Bridge not finished till late in night & at day break Wednesday one half of it was washed clear away. Wednesday I could not cross the bridge so as to see what had became of my friends till 3 P. M. - Then



found the Reg. left on one of the first trains the night before for the front leaving only a few sick ones, who had succeeded in moving the hospital over the river & I found them trying to set up keeping house in town. By this time the Cavalry had concluded not to go at all, — Before night (Wednesday) we heard there was hard fighting at Acworth & that our boys were in it, I went home. Rained hard all night — in the morning Thursday we had orders to move everything in town immediately — In five minutes more I had orders to report home, There was confusion — I helped move a few sick to Div Hospt. & Dr Davis to Mrs Batty's in town. This P. M. I have looked around — Prescribed for the 50 Ill. — & this eve have been fixing up my bed at the Hospt — This eve, have heard that our Div. have already lost 300 men In killed & wounded.

Friday Oct 7

This morning was very foggy but cleared up before 8 oclock & has been very pleasant - The first day it has not rained hard for a long time. A south west wind through the day, warm & drying but very cool tonight - The prospect is we will have some pleasant weather a few days. Called to see Dr. Davis this P. M. - He is gaining - Conflicting reports from there, We expected 300 wounded here today - but they have not come- Some say a bridge between here & there is washed away - Also other rumors say the whole Division will be back tomorrow. We expect our Brig. is badly cut up, but can get no reliable information.

Sabbath Oct 9

Another Sabbath has seemed but little like the Sabbath. I did not write yesterday for I worked hard as I could till past midnight bringing up our boys to the Hospital from the cars that came in between 8 & 9 oclock. This morning I called to see Lucian Corban who has lately come back to this place, Then went up to the hospital & helped about dressing wounds, After noon I went back & worked the rest of the day - About one oclock what were left of the boys that were in the fight at Allatoona Pass Wednesday Oct. 5 came in. At three the rest of the wounded came in & Oh, It is horrid to have so distinct a view of the realities of war, and then to hear Dr Leonards account of the scenes there. Poor Lieut. Sullivan survived 24 hours a shot & fracture of both thighs - & shot through the bowels & one through the chest, Out of 280 odd men that went out 141 were killed or wounded.

Co. E went out with 66 men & but 22 escaped uninjured & 13 were killed -

Lionday Oct. 10

Today I got a detail to go & work in the Division Hospital. Have not worked very hard - Saw one arm amputated - This morning it was noised around that there were 30000 Rebs in a few miles of Rome I hardly believed it, or at least I have not for a monent thought of being uneasy till this eve, I see they are moving the stores up to the fort, - Also digging breastworks just below our Mospital The waggons are still thundering away tonight. It all looks strange - It is said the rebs can be seen across the river, Another report says the 25rd A. C. are within a few miles of us - so among it all we don't know anything.



Tuesday Oct. 11

Have been at the Hospital most of the day. One died this morning partly under my care I took a bullet (very large one) out of his neck, three days since - The ball had injured his spine & entirely paralized his lower extremities & partially the upper extremities - He belonged to our Regiment - Another man (Miller) from our Reg. has excited my sympathy very much. His is a severe fracture of femur & I think he must die. This eve, I rode down to see Dr. Davis - He is not much better still has some fever, -

There is a good deal going on - but I know little what it is The rebs are evidently in force in our neighborhood & Sherman is at
Kingston & a large portion of his forces are moving north to meet Hood Quite a force of our cavalry is tonight on the south side of the Etovah -

Wednesday Oct 12 -

Not very well today Vomitted in the night last night, & severe headache today - This A. M. Dr Snelling & myself gave chloroform to poor Miller & examined & straightened his leg - In the P. M. took another boy on the table to amputate but concluded not to operate. About noon I had a view of pretty lively skirmishing across the Oostenaula, The rebs have cannon, but gradually fell back out of hearing except on occasional report of cannon.

Thursday Oct. 13

Kept my room most all day — but feel better this eve — Before light this morning the t — commenced moving & continued pass for two or three hours — As near as I can learn the 15th & 25th A. C. went out S. West on both sides the Coosa. I think they found but few Rebs. They captured 100 or 200 Jonnies & two cannon. The troops commenced returning at 3 P. M. & are still passing (7 P. M.) There is news in town today that Resaca was taken by the rebs. — The first mail for a week or ten days came in last night — So I received three letters this morning— one from Hattie — from Lucinda & C. T. Willard. Maj. Gen Sherman was in town today, but I did not get out to see him & if I had I do not know as I should have got to see him among the crowd of strangers. There are also rumors that we are evacuating Atlanta — & that Lee is evacuating Richmond.

Friday Oct 14

I have felt better today - Rode out this P. M. to the Ala. Cav. - & this eve called on Dr. Davis - Poor Miller of our Reg. died at the Div. Hospital this P. M. from gunshot fracture of thigh - received at Allatoona.

Saturday Oct. 15

Went to the Hospital but felt poorly & came back before noon — Have had a severe pleurisitic pain all the P. M. So that I have stayed at home — My cough harrasses me a good deal → Dr. Crossley came in to see me → Most all the troops (one Div.) went out this morning & quite a force of Rebs still in our neighborhood.



Sabbath Oct. 16

For some reason or other reason this has seemed the least like Sunday since being in the service. No preaching of any kind & but little chance for me to get out alone in a meditative mood. This eve soon after candle light I went into Nelsons room after some cough sirup & before the day occurred to me I proposed a game of checkers, Of course I retracted as soon as I thought - I have not been up to the Hospital. Although I have felt better then I did yesterday afternoon.



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HEADQUARTERS.

4 TH DIV. 15' G. A. HOSPT.

ROME, GA.



Monday Oct. 17/64

Nothing of remarkable interest has occurred today - Beautiful weather & a beautiful day - Looks a little like rain this eve. - Have been to the Hospital both A. M. & P. M. Was put in charge of some rooms in the upper house today. Have felt tolerably well today -. Reported today that Sherman & Thomas are both fighting Hood in the vicinity of Dalton.

Tuesday Oct. 18

Nothing today of interest. I am feeling some better.

Wednesday Oct. 19

Have been in the Hospt. The same as usual, Called on Lucian Corban this A. M. Have been writing to Hettie this evening.

Thursday Oct. 20

Another beautiful day. Am feeling well & strong today, Finished up a letter to Hattie today & sent it by Fisher to Chattanooga He goes tomorrow, The road is torn up & the mails detained for the present. I commenced this letter a week since & gave some account of the fight at Allatoona.

Friday Oct. 21 -

A good big mail came in today & made me doubly happy by bringing two letters from Hattie also the Oct, No of Good Templor.

A strange kind of an accident happened to me today - I do not know how it will eventuate. Talking with Dr Crosby today just as I was starting home to dinner, he told me that Dr Cady of the 12! Ill. had resigned & was going home leaving the regiment without any Surgeon -At that moment Dr Cady happened to ride up & Dr Crosby gave me an introduction. Dr Cady inquired for Dr Zearing - I told him he was down to my regiment & if he wished to see him I would show him the way - I then asked if he was going to leave - He said he was - I gave him a patronizing tap on the knee as I walked by his horse & asked him why he would not recommend me for his successor - When I told him that I had passed the "board" as "Surgeon" he said that was just the thing. So he & Dr Zearing immediately fixed the thing as settled - This eve, I saw Dr Z. & he told me he had seen the Col. of the 12th & he was favorable -Dr. Z. also told me I should be sent there tomorrow. It is a rather uncertain leap for I do not know what company I may find, but I think it best to go without hesitation. Still I shall hate to leave the 7th Regiment.

Saturday Oct. 22 -

Quite cool today. At noon got my order to report to the 12 Ill.
from Dr Zearing - Staid & took dinner with Dr. Z. & Dr Wood. This P. M.
went over to the 12 & looked over the property & receipted for it.
This eve have been writing to Hattie.



Sabbath Oct. 23

This morning after breakfast I walked over to the 12 - It was a beautiful morning and enjoyed the walk & the meditation very very much - It seemed the most like a Sabbath morning of any this fall. Found about & dozen patients, Remained there till after dinner. Saw the Col. & got a little acquainted with several of the officers who all seemed cordial & pleasant - Came home finished a letter to Hattie & then went to a prayer meeting this evening.

Monday. Oct. 24 1864

Went over to the Reg. (12) this morning as soon as I got breakfast, Had about 15 to morning call, Staid till after dinner - Intend to move my things tomorrow morning. Have been writing this eve, to Mary & Mrs. Upham -

Tuesday Oct. 25

This morning after an early breakfast I packed up my things & went - &, ordering the ambulance to bring on my "bed & board" I started for the "12" - Have been rigging up my tent in company with the Chaplain - I feel quite well satisfied this far -

Wednesday Oct 26

Last night was my first night in tent. The Chaplain & I fixed up our bunk together by partly doubling my matress over his straw tick so as to accommodate both of us - I felt quite at home in our little tent & slept pretty well - The rest of the officers think we have got most too good a bed for soldiers - This morning warm - threatened rain -Today after morning call I fixed up a little shelf on my box, which was itself reared up on legs - so I have a very convenient stand, This P. M. I went to town bought me a cavalry overcoat for \$10.55 - Called at the 7th Hosp. Settled my board bill there by making a kind of "jump" at \$15. Called on Lieut. Anderson to enquire for a servant. I am more & more pleased with the orderly & gentlemanly deportment of the regiment both officers & men. I go in & mess with the staff officers. They live well most too well I fear - & I expect pretty expensive since I commenced writing the Chaplain has come home from meeting at the 66 Ill. & about the same time came notice that the regiment go out in the morning with one days rations - & I am expected to go also -

Thursday Oct. 27

Rained quite hard all last night, Floor of tent this morning all wet. Tolerable rivulets running the whole length of the floor boards - Dressed as well as I could without any light & went out in the rain & mud to feed - preparatory to starting early. Rained moderately half of the forenoon - Pleasant in the P. M. - Crossed the Oostenaula & went north - Mostly woods passed up one or two plantations - & half a doz. poor families - Out ten miles passed a good mill - here the little old owner came out with his certificate of having taken the amnesty oath, - Pretended consummate minionism - & begged for enough property



to feed his family with, Five miles further came to Johnsons plantation, Johnson is about 55 or 60 - Captain in the Mexican War - His father was once Gov. of S. Carolina. Has a large plantation partly rich bottom land. He mourned terribly over the loss of his property - but little over his three sons who are in the rebel army. I went in with Col. Vancella (Van Sellar)*& a Cap. & good dinner. The woman mourned terribly over the loss of her chickens, meat molasses etc & - said they had taken her crockery spoons etc. It did certainly look rough the way the boys slew their hogs - guns were popping for a mile in all directions. Finnaly 25 or 30 sheep were driven into the yard - some were killed but most were brought away in the tops of the loads of corn alive. Made a good trip home getting in a little after dark, Of war is hard & it is terrible brutalizing.

Friday Oct. 28

Got up this morning a little tired & stiff - Attended sick call as usual - After dinner went to town called on Lt. A. to enquire for a boy - Went to Div. Hospt. Saw the amputation of leg by Dr. Wood. Went in to see Adj. Robinson - Think he is failing - He is shot through the left lung Bloody serum is being discharged from the wound. Went into my old wards - It was good to see the boys - Most all seemed so pleased & cordial at seeing me that it was almost one happy moment in my life - Got home just supper time. Went this evening to hear the Chaplain preach.

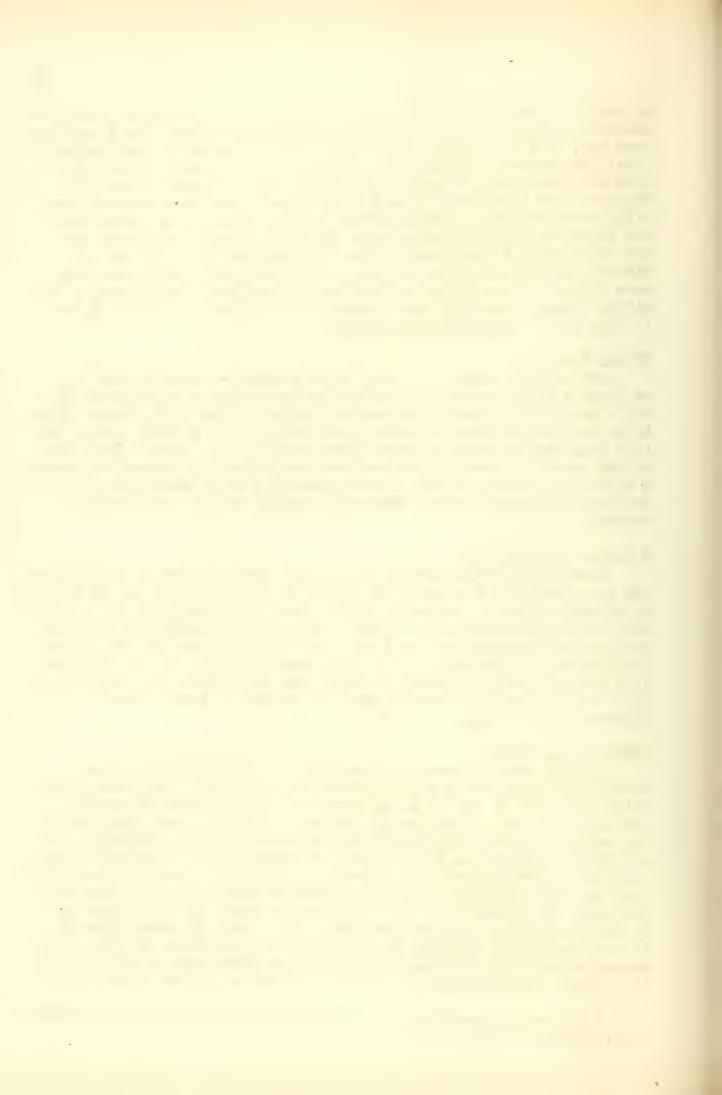
Saturday Eve. Oct. 29

Morning cold Water frozen outside the tent when we got up - Pleasant day - Building a chimney today - P. M. I went to town to try & find me a darky - Went to the negro correll but found none to suit. A great many wagon trains across the river - town full of strangers. Said to be some Maj. Generals here - I only saw one Brig. Gen. Had an introduction to Col. Campbell, on the road home this eve, by Col. Vancella (Van Sellar) - Col. Campbell is right from the North. - He brings glowing accts of the union feeling north at present. Warm & beautifully pleasant this evening.

Sabbath Oct. 30 1864

Another warm & Pleasant day — There is just beginning to be a sufficient yellow tinge to the forests to look rich. The forenoon was quiet — This P. M. the 23 A. C. began to come in. They did not all get past till most night & wagon trains & stragglers have been lumbering past two hours after dark. The soldiers plodded on merrily — in all kind of plights, A few barefoot but generally well clothed. Some carried chickens & some legs of meat, A few tired & dusty & jaded straggled on behind looking disconsolate enough. Walked down in town, Saw the teams get locked in a jam at the breastworks, scolding, swearing & almost fighting. They stopped the whole column for some time. It is now pretty well settled, that we move in a few days. All are wondering where — It is evident there are great movements on hand, but how it will all terminate or where it is destined to strike no one knows —

^{*} Van Sellar, spelling has been verified with the Military Department, Springfield Ill.



Monday Oct 31

Another pleasant day & full of considerable commotion. Went to town this morning - Called to see the paymaster if I could be paid. Then went to the 7th Reg. to see the folks a short time & get the Col's certificate that I had never been paid, Town full, of most everything & every body. The 14th A. C. moving through town north. Many officers in baggage wagons & ambulances going south across the Etowah to the 15" & 17 A. C. camped ten miles south, Hospitals most all broken up. Packing up their things in the greatest confusion, jostling & crowding at every corner. Tried to find a darky but without success. - Today I made out my monthly reports.

Tuesday Nov. 1.

Went to the paymaster, but he would not pay me alone - The rest of the 14 A. C. went north today -, also Wilders Brigade dismounted, going to Nashville for horses -

Wednesday Nov 2 -

Rained all last night - Wet & dribbling to day, more of the 14 A. C. went by this morning. Think it has all passed now, Has been quite still this P. M. only they are very busy in town moving every thing for the Gen Hospital to the Depot.

Thursday Nov. 3

Cold & wet all day - Cleared off since dark so as to show the new moon, The Div. Hospt, sent off their patients today - We were hurried to get Description rolls made & forwarded in season, - The regiment this P. M. sent off all their extra baggage & a wagon came this evening to get all our Medical stores & property, Went down to Dr Leonards this eve, They are all tipped top side down, Wind is blowing cold - think it has cleared off. It is said they have been bursting the useless guns in the fort today - Got a letter from Hattie to-day & wrote one to her -

Friday Nov. 4

Paymaster has been paying off the 81 Ohio today - The rest of the Division is also being paid, Dr Whitaker of the 21 O. started for Chattanooga today, expecting to be discharged, Went in town & found everything being moved very fast, streets begin to look desolate, Think they will be ready to evacuate by day after tomorrow. This P. M. have been writing to Windham, have not finished the letter yet, Cold west wind, cloudy & some sprinkles of rain. Carried my matress off to the hospital yesterday so last night I slept on a board with two blankets under me, slept tolerably well a little cold.

Saturday Nov. 5

Pay day & I have again met with a vexatious defeat in not getting my pay. I went down to see the paymaster but he would not pay on my muster. Have a severe headache this evening.



Monday Morning Nov 7

Last night I did not go to bed till 2 o'clock this morning - Paymaster kept us up - Yesterday morning I discovered a great fat grey back in my drawers & signs of prospective progeny - so the Chaplain & myself changed all our clothes & I went with the darkey to get him washing them at the 7! Hospital.

After noon I went with Lt. Davis to get another certificate of my muster from the Mustering Office, - But the paymaster would not even pay on that. At 2 P. M. went to hear Chaplain Grant preach - About sundown the paymaster came to pay this Regiment, - Staid till he finished the Regiment - He then promised to pay me today - I will go down but do not expect to get any pay. So much business on hand yesterday made it seem little like Sunday.

Yesterday morning when I got up I found my horse gone - He broke

loose - I found him in a stable in the 81 Ohio -

Tuesday Nov. 8

Election day up in America. Rainy - Last night I was so tired, amid a multitude of cares, and it was so late I omitted my journal -About noon yesterday - went to see the paymaster - I found him out of blank pay rolls - Promised to pay me if I would make some blanks, so I worked as hard as I could all the afternoon to make some blanks. I finished them & went down again about dark, & rather contrary to my expectation got my pay & what was still more remarkable he paid me up to Oct. 31 although he was paying the soldiers generally only to the 31 of Sept. Seemed so strange to see some money I hardly knew whether to be pleased or frightened - Took \$700 in Draft on N. Y. - & \$272.25 in bonds & greenbacks. Sit up till midnight helping Chap. Grant fix his papers & money to carry to Nashville. This morning carried my check in letter to the postoffice & sent it home. Our Regiment with two or three others went this morning foraging - They will not be in tonight. Have staid at home most of the day helping Mr. Grant. He is taking in money to carry north for the boys.

Wednesday Nov. 9

Warm but wet as it has been for several days - getting quite disagreeable under foot, & not very pleasant over head especially when quartered in poor tents without courage to fix up thinking one will be ordered to move every day. Chaplain Grant started off in the rain after dark tonight to town so as to be ready for the first train. I think he took about \$50,000.00 He is a likely man & I hate to have him leave as there is probability he may not be back this winter. He did not say good by for I think he will be back in the morning -

The men came in this evening terribly tired out - & exhausted from

hunger and wet.

Rome Ga Thursday Nov. 10

Rome is being evacuated. The 3rd Brig left this eve, & the other two start in the morning. The country is light with the burning of Rome - Walked down through town this eve, It seemed melancholy to see the property being destroyed. It is against orders - but the soldiers want to see it burn - Written to Hattie this eve, & sent \$50, - Chap Grant has taken in over \$50,000 to cary north. We start south at 6 A. M. ives some lonely feelings, But it is too late to write more.



Camp of 12 Ill one mile south of Allatoona Saturday eve Nov. 12.

Here we are on the way south & expect no more mail communication north for the present.

About ten Thursday night the exodus of the darkies commenced from Rome - They got an idea the town was to be burned & so there was a tramping all night mostly women & children.

Tuesday morning we started & found the roads lined with the poor creatures all the way to Kingston. A good many houses were burned in Rome the night before we left. We left at 6 A. M. & saw great clouds of smoke all the A. M. Do not know how much was burned, Passed Kingston at 2 P. M. At Kingston they were talking about hanging a gurrilla Captain caught the day before. The rest of the P. M. - were hindered by the trains - Got in camp two miles from K. about dark - Slept 4 hours. Started at 4 in the morning, by moon light - Came 3 or 4 miles & passed the ruins of Cassville, Seemed to have been a nice town of 3 or 4000 inhabitants. Every building but the churches had been burned, About daybreak passed a house in flames passed Cartersville at ten A. M. Near the place was a nice house in flames. A mile from Cartersville halted & saw the ground where were buried the officers killed at Allatoona Oct. 5. Thence on to Allatoona (20 miles from Kingston) very hilly, & artillery ambulances & baggage waggons terribly stalled - Dead Mules lined the road & waggon wheels lay thick. Bothered by my ambulance that got behind & set fast. After getting that up the hill & watching it an hour I came in alone to Allatoona, I hastily passed over the ground but had no one who participated in the fight to explain where our brave boys fought & heroically died. I could have seen Kenesaw from Allatoona fort but did not think to look. I wished to linger a long time but had no time, had to hurry to join my regiment, I wished so much to trace out the ditches concerning which so may accounts have been told me by the boys of the 7' Ill - There 32 out of 282 were killed & about 15 more have died - on one side of the fort I saw the grounds hallowed by the graves of the 93 Ill. Did not find the graves of the 7th. Last night I was tired & with head ache - Feel well tonight -Some tired - got in camp sun one hour high - Sent my letter with money to Hattie by Chaplain Grant.

Ackworth Sabbath Morning Nov. 13

Here amid the smoking ruins of Ackworth - The hallowed Sabbath is disturbed not only by the usual camp noise, but by the sacking of this town - town had mostly been burned before we arrived - & now the soldiers are tearing up the R. R. - burning the ties with Rails crossed We started out of camp, not only the rear guard of 4th division, but the rear of the 15th A. C. It is a beautiful Sabbath Morning but these scenes look melancholy indeed. - This is about 5 miles from Allatoona - At 12½ oclock we came in sight of Kenesaw Mountain - At 1½ came to Big Shanty - found it also burned rested here one half hour & had some coffee, One mile further on & we began to find a continuous series of breastworks. - R. R. track burned up & rails bent around trees. This was about three miles from Kenesaw - I rode on & thought I could not loose the only opportunity I should probably ever have of visiting the Hountain made, not only historic but sacred by so many valorous & patriotic deaths, I stole away from my regiment & went to its top.



Here I had an extensive view on all sides. North were extensive fields but not a house in sight, all the way to Allatoona & along the line of the R. R. was a continuous cloud of smoke, evidently some houses burning as well as the R. R. - West was Lost Hountain - East diversified fields & forests, South east at the foot of the mountain lay Marietta all in flames. All over the county south & S. east were innumerable colums of smoke showing where building were burning. Away in the S. east, alone, was Stone Mountain, I left the mountain at sundown & found my camp at the foot of the Mt. & one mile from Marietta.

Monday Nov. 14

In camp south side of the Chattahoochee, Left camp near Marietta this morning at 7, All Marietta was a smouldering heap except the churches & most of the private residences. Nearly every house on the road today had been burned, Within a few miles of the river we came to extensive fortifications. For near two miles was a continuous line of breastworks on the summit of a ridge - They were earthworks crowned by heavy stakes, Our boys knew too much to charge those, but they flanked them. Came onto the bluffs overlooking the river about sundown - Crossed the river & went into camp tired & hungry.

Tuesday Nov. 15

Left camp at 5 this A. M. & marched seven miles to Atlanta - At this place I beheld a sight - one of the most remarkable I ever sawe Three miles from A. we commenced to come among the rifle pits of the Federals. Half that distance was dug up by the Federalists & the other half was terrible dug up by the rebs, and near town in the N. West side (where we entered) were miles of strong breastworks with paling of sharpened posts, some of the way sharp stakes set slanting & brush tangled in with great care. It would have been almost impossible to have taken them from the front. Staid in town all day loading the trains, Many houses had been burned & all day long the fires kept increasing in number. The sight was magnificent & melancholy in the extreem, I think by dark all the public buildings & stores with many of the residences must have been destroyed. Visited the top of the court house & had a fine view - Clouds of smoke however obscured the whole northern view, Left town about sun down. As we left town the Quartermasters were throwing clothing into the streets for the boys rather then have them burned up as the flames rapidly approached, Went out about four miles & camped -,

Wednesday Nov. 16

Left camp at 8 - Marched nearly due south 20 miles going east of Jonesboro & camping some 3 or 4 miles S. E. of that place. Came in sight of what was said to be the 14 A. C. train on an other road. - Country rather hilly & mostly wooded. The last six or eight miles marched slow, being hindered by the trains - Our regiment not in camp till 9 oclock - Terrible tired & every one cross, Many gave out from hunger exhaustion & want of sleep. I felt much better after supper having eaten freely of good veal & sweet potatoes foraged on the road, I do not know how many camp here to-night - Must be more then the 4th Division.



Thursday Nov. 17

Camped 45 miles south of Atlanta & 45 miles by N. E. of Macon, - Called up by Revellee at three this morning - Started at six - Marched South east about six miles to MacDonough, county seat of (I think Henry County) - town looked desolate & rusty - Marched 21 miles this day & got in camp about dark - Many gave out, Got our suppers & all felt better of course, Inhabitants seem terrified & astonished.

Friday Morning Nov. 18

Lay in camp all the A. M. - Soldiers run riot in sweet potatoes & fresh meat. Started at 6 P. M. - Marched through () Court house & mnay of the other buildings were burning - Marched 9 miles & camped 5 miles from Ocmulgee Mills on Ocmulgee river where we expect to cross.

Saturday Morning Nov. 19

Started with our regiment in the rear - Went slow, - Arrived at the Mills about 11 A. M., Mound the hills white with army waggons, Rested for dinner - First Division were crossing the bridge all the P. M. so we went into camp staying all day & night, About dark fire was set to a cotton warehouse burning up several hundred bales of cotton, Division had a quantity of corn meal ground here for the boys. There is also a large cotton factory here which possibly may be burned tomorrow, The owner of most of the property in the place, a Mr. Nutting is said to be a Vermonter.

Sabbath Morning Nov. 20

Had orders to start at $5\frac{1}{2}$ but our regiment did not move till light. Then to my perplexity I found the ambulance train had left at 4 & I had several sick on hand - Every ambulance & my regiment had passed over & up the hill on the opposite side & I worked hard to get my sick up the eastern bluff. Two miles out I found the Ambulance train waiting, It is said the cotton factory & flouring mills were not burned.

Rained last night & the hills are slippery, but the country is getting much more sandy so that it is less & less muddy. Marched ten miles & camped near Monticello, county seat of (I do not know) county. Seems but little like Sunday.

Monday Morning -

We started out in the rain - rained hard most all day - Cold & terrible disagreeable - Went slow on account of a pontoon train ahead of us, Marched nearly south 11 miles & camped near Hillsboro - Town was burned, This day I went into one planters house - found him at home & terribly frightened. Felt worse to see his property all leaving him.

Tuesday Nov. 22

Got up & had breakfast before day but did not get out till noon. Took all the A. M. for the trains to get out of the way - Our Regiment in the rear, I lay rather cold last night - ground frozen in morning - Out 4 miles we passed the ground where Gen. Steneman surrendered last summer. A widow woman in a pretty white house near by is said to have taken care of the wounded. Passed but a few plantations to day - Land



well cleared off, but much of it worn out & turned out to rest & grow up to sage grass - Went 9 miles (slowly very slowly) and camped at 10 oclock P. M. Ground has been frozen all day in shade - Snowed this morning then cleared off cold.

Wednesday Morning (Nov. 23)

Very cold. — Did not get the trains out till most noon — We (The 12th) in the center — Passed Clinton out two miles — Hindered terribly by mud — Lost a man this morning taken prisoner (He straggled behind as we left camp. We got in camp at x_2^1 at night train did not all come up till 2 in the morning Much of Clintons burned — Passed within 12 miles of Macon today — Said that the rebs are hanging on our flanks today.

Thursday Nov. 24

New England Thanksgiving today - Hence I thought of it & of home often, Wondered how they were enjoying themselves. Started at six & went 9 miles - 2 miles beyond Gordon by ten & one half A. M. Gordon all burned but one house left. Only a small place - Had a good rest this P. M. This eve, paid in \$20 to the col. towards our mess - The 2nd Div (I am not sure which Div. it was) had a smart little fight near here yesterday Repulsed the rebs with great loss.

Friday Nov. 25

Started at $6\frac{1}{2}$ - Marched 17 miles & camped 5 miles east of Irwinton at sundown - A pleasant day & a pleasant march, But little mud - ground too sandy. Timber mostly pine, - Course nearly east - At two oclock passed through Irwinton, county seat of Wilkinson County - Town mostly burned some cotton also burned here. Town on a barren hill.

Saturday Nov. 26

Warm & pleasant - Started at day break - Passed a barren pine region, Out three miles (& three miles from the River Oconee. We halted on the bluff - It was said the bridge was not down - Halted an hour & then fell in & marched to the river through a dense pine forest bottom. Arrived at bridge at ten A. M. - An open field there was packed full of waggons, artillery & soldiers - Passed over at 1 P. M. - On the east side of the Oconee the lands look better but still sandy, Plantations looked quite well - Found a plenty of forage - Marched 9 miles from the river & camped for the night just beyond Parkers cross roads, Passing the river forms an other Period in our Campaign.

Sabbath Nov. 27

It has not seemed like Sabbath because we have been so still, Second Brig. lay in camp this A. M. while the 1st & 3rd went to tear up R. R. We with the Div. train started at 2 P. M. At 1 P. M. hearing that the 17 A. C. was coming in, I went out to hunt the 32 Ill. Found it & was happy to see Capt Ed. Lawson - The meeting was quite cordial, Could only talk 10 or 15 minutes as my Div. had all started. I hurried on & overtook them in two miles. Went 4 miles & camped at a cross roads, Quartermaster Bowser & myself intended to have gone to Church this P. M. Gen. Howard was here & he always has preaching, & sometimes preaches himself on Sabbath, But the marching spoiled our plans.



Monday Nov. 28

Started this morning before daybreak, - The 1st & 3rd Brigades being done we 2nd Brig were front & rear guard - 12th Ill. in rear. Road sandy, but some mudholes - In a few miles the road became obscure & the rest of the day we had to almost make our own road, Almost unbroken forests of pine - Pines large but sparse. Ground under the trees covered with a coarse kind of grass. - It finally proved that we got on the wrong road & night found us much too far to the right - Travelled 16 miles & camped at night one mile beyond Wrightsville, County seat of Johnson County. A very sorry town - I think the whole county contains only 4 or 500 inhabitants. Got in camp at 3 P. M. The boys secured 29 or 30 horses & mules with other property secreted two miles from here.

Tuesday Nov. 29

Left camp at 5 A. M. & have had a very hard days work both for the men & teams. Had to make right angle to the left in order to join the rest of the Div, - Marched through an almost unbroken wilderness - Worse than yesterday - Every mile or oftener was a slough that delayed & vexed all. Took a north & north east course around & among swamps for ten miles - Thence south east for six miles further, Got in camp between 7 & 8 oclock. A very pleasant day - got with the rest of the Div. this evening - But little encouragement to know that we took the wrong road yesterday & required all of todays work to get us right again.

Wednesday Nov. 30

Another very pleasant day - Warm as a N. England June. Started this morning at six & came in camp after sundown, Marched about 16 miles through the same forests as yesterday - About noon passed a negro boy dead in the road, - shot through the neck - Said to be done by a soldier in the '57" Ill, (The soldier was eventually acquitted on the plea that it was accidental - A very strange decision), About two o'clock came to the little town of Summerville - From this on we expect a better country - We camp two miles beyond Summerville - & about five miles from the river (Ogeechee) & 18 from Millen.

Thursday Dec. 1 -

A nice warm & pleasant day - Marched all day through the same forests - Seemed to take a course down parallell with the river, For the last two miles only have seen plantations. Night before last we passed the camp of the 2nd Div. & this eve we passed the 3rd so now we are in front of all our corps. We expected this A. M. to cross the river towards Millen, but did not - Kept all day on the south side - We seem now too far down to cross to Millen - The soldiers suspect there are so many Rebs. there that Sherman does not intend to Molest them (It eventually proved that the 17th A. C. went through Millen) Marched 15 miles or more today.

Friday Dec. 2

In camp near Skulls creek, - Opposite but below Millen. Made but two miles this forenoon, on account of bad sloughs & the confusion of the moving out at once of the lst & 4th Division. Came on five or six



miles & stopped to bridge Skulls creek, Our Division crossed the creek before night & a detail of the 3rd Brig has crossed the river to destroy the R. R. from Millen to Savannah. We got in camp in good season anot tired - I am writing by the bright light of a pine stub on fire, While soul stirring music is being dispensed by Gen. Howards band - A warm day & a pleasant evening, - Have heard the news from a Rebel paper today - They pretend to think that Shermans army is surrounded & about to be captured.

Saturday Dec. 3

Had orders this morning to leave baggage & cross the river - Went $\frac{1}{2}$ mile beyond the river & remained all day as a support for those that were at work upon the R. R. - I rode up (one mile) onto the R. R. - Found the 17" A. C. had just arrived - Our Division commenced - last evening, five miles south of Millen & were working south - I had a talk with a R. R. hand whon we found at home - He seemed intelligent - Said he hoped the south would now give up. - We went two miles south to the R. R. station, Then went $\frac{1}{4}$ further to a rich planters house - Found 32 hills of sweet potatoes (20 or 25 bushels each) & corn & other things in proportion - Scores of teams & hundreds of soldiers were there busy loading up & carrying off everything that was eatable for men & beast, I came back at two oclock to where the Regiment was waiting & after supper we moved back to our last nights camp.

Sabbath Dec. 4

A pleasant Sabbath morning - Some cooler than it has been for several days. Marched about 13 miles from Skull's Creek, across Nevils Creek. Road sandy but a number of good plantations on the road, "Youngs plantation" looked tolerably well - A two story house with blinds - Said to be the richest man in the county -

Monday Dec 5

Started at $5\frac{1}{2}$ A. M. and Marched all day — Stopped but little — liust have gone more than 20 miles, Country quite sandy & level but pretty well covered with plantations I stopped at one house & begged a paper — got the Savannah Republican of Nov. 7 — I also stopped about noon at a large house 100 yards off of the road (The regiment were resting in the road) & fed my horse & got some honey — An old widow lady & an adopted girl lived there — They were evidently wealthy — This eve we stop on the banks of the river — Suppose our regiment goes over in boats tonight to act as pickets & guard the laying of the pontoons, Pioneers are fixing the road to the water. Had for supper some deer which Orange killed & brought in — It was a tame deer.

Tuesday Dec. 6

Did not cross the river last night as we expected - Have lain all day in the same camp - The pioneers have prepared corderois, preliminary to laying the pontoons - but did now lay them, Think now we will not cross here. It is rumored the cavalry across the river nearly opposite here have had a fight -. Rumored the Alabama Cavalry have suffered. Col. Campbell reported killed. (This report in regard to the Ala. Cav. proved untrue).



Wednesday Dec 7

Started this morning at 7 & marched about eight or perhaps ten miles & camped within one mile of the ferry across the river - There is also a bridge here called Jenck's Bridge. The ferry is 12 miles from Savannah. Got in camp at 1 P. M. - Passed the 1" Div. back four miles. I went to the river this P. M. just as the pontoon bridge was finished. - The old bridge destroyed Heard some skirmishing across the river. We expect now to cross tomorrow. We may see some fighting soon, or the rebs may skidaddle & Sherman may pass by them. For three or four days past we have seen an occasional live oak. Today they are thick, - Look beautiful, - Green as May -, A fine contrast with the yellow of the other oaks. The moss (Spanish Moss) hangs gracefully from many of the trees we pass today especially from the Live oak, - Land level as the Prairies of Ill, - Very sandy. So near Savannah, We begin to think of home - of writing to, & of tidings from the dear ones there. Rained this morning - Pleasant moonlight this evening-

Thursday Dec. 8

Light showers last night, but clear & warm all day. Crossed the river at Jenck's Bridge at $7\frac{1}{2}$ this morning with the whole 4th Div. — Crossed the R. R. at Eden, one mile from the bridge, & again crossed out a mile further & struck off south. Went 15 miles from the bridge in the wilderness & camped at 3 P. M. where we first struck the canall, — We had but little skirmishing — This P. M. & evening have been hearing cannonading — but do not know where it was — Around us are magnificant live oaks, beautifully hung with festoons of Spanish Moss. Shall try to sleep out tonight under the broad blue sky, & in the moon light — The 7th Ill had a man wounded & left prisoner this afternoon out three miles in front of here — About 11 oclock we came to a strong line of rifle pits but they were evacuated, We are camping at the entrance into the Ogeechee river of the Savannah & Ogeechee Canell.

Friday Dec 9

Did not sleep very well last night - too cold - Left camp about 8 going south - We expected to find some rebs - when near where the 7th skirmished yesterday we found them (500 or 600 of them).

Our Brigade in advance & the 66 Ill in front - the latter did the skirmishing, deployed as skirmishers - We (the 12) came next - After pretty rapid skirmish firing for a few moments - BOOM - went a gun. - Upon this two of our guns were advanced to the edge of a field near a house & blazed away. The Regiments were thrown out in line of battle the 81 & 12 on the left, Before we left the road we perceived that the enemies guns were ranged with the road which was straight & level. So I was glad to get off to the left with the regiment - The artillery exchanged ten or twelve shots briskly - The Reb's shells did no harm but hissed over head uncomfortably near our battery. They out the limbs off of a pine tree 15 feet above the guns - It was a pretty little practice & memorable to me as my first time "under fire" The big shells buzzed musically - The thing was not really unpleasant - Rather exhilerating - but still at first there was a vague uneasiness lest some unlucky shot might stray toward me - Then there was an anxiety caused by the



uncertainty how much of a force we had to contend with & what would be its result, After an hours skirmishing (which by the way seemed not more then a third of time) the rebs fell back leaving a disabled gun & one or two killed - The 66th had one wounded. We pursued two or three miles to a branch of the little Ogeechee where the rebs had destroyed the bridge - Went in camp early back two miles - The 7th Ill cut out the R. R. to our right & captured a train, also captured 20 or 30 mules.

Saturday Dec. 10

Foggy all day - About 8 A. M. we started out - The 12 & 81 went south to the R. R. with the intention of crossing the R. R. Bridge or at least of getting possession & holding it. Arrived at the bridge about 11 & found it burning - The rebs had undoubtedly fired it to prevent our crossing - Two companies went to the bridge & skirmished across the river - I walked up near there but thought the balls hissed too near to suit me, so returned after hearing a good many zip past & more than once making me dodge & hug the ground, After two or three hours they disclosed a cannon - We went back one mile to station No. 1 & camped - Have been hearing negro talk this evening from the darkies on this (The Millen) plantation.

Sabbath Dec. 11

Remaining still at station No. 1 Our Regiment went this morning down about three miles south to Dr. Cheaves Plantation, Saw the wreck of his splendid furniture & library - The darkies all seemed pleased enough - Guess they will not be so well satisfied when they come to loose by the soldiers all their chickens & other truck. Our object was to find a way to cross the little Ogeechee - Returned without accomplishing anything. This A. M. we heard considerable artillery firing on out left, in the direction where the 4 Div. mostly lays, - Think the rebs are too strong for us there.

Tuesday Morning Dec. 13

Last night I was most sick & failed to write - Was chilly with headache half of afternoon, Staid in our old camp all day yesterday - At 11½ Mr. Swangle & myself rode down to Dr. Cheaves Plantation (three miles south) Our chief object in going was to see some white orphan children there were said to be there with a negro woman. We found them - I was much interested in them - They seemed pleased to see white folks & said they wished to come home with us -

The boys name was Johnnie Hairy & the girls name Saphira - Boy about 7 & girl about 5 years old - we had a good chat & some good kisses & left. - We also went out in sight of Ft. McAllister.

Tuesday Eve. Dec 13

A memorable day - The day I saw the first gunboat from the sea, & also saw the fall of Ft. McAllister - I felt rather poorly this morning, but after dinner feeling better I worked out down to Millens house & in view of the unbroken marsh - Was tempted to keep on & so walked clear down to Dr Cheaves house where I found my horse which I had loned to a man, - Took my horse & rode on two miles further to Dr Cheaves rice mill.



I found there the Signal Corps with Gen's, Sherman & Howard & many other officers - I staid there till after 5 oclock - Those two hours were big with important events . hich I shall never forget -Sherman had just got communication with a boat away down at the mouth of the Big Ogeechee - For two days had the signal corps been unsuccessfully attempting to attract the attention of the fleet. The first message from the fleet to the army of the Tennessee had just been signalled namely "Who are You - What do you Want?" and Shermans answer "Gen's Sherman & Howard" - "Who are You?" Three miles in our front lay Ft. McAllister throwing occasional shells into the wood in the rear of the fort where lay the 2nd Div. 15 A. C. making ready to assault the fort. Soon we saw our men storm the fort - The rebs only had time to shoot their cannon shot before our boys silenced them - They had no chance to reload - We saw our boys climb on the parapets, & jump into the fort amid a rattle of musketry and all was over. The fort was ours. We distinctly saw them as the blue coats covered the parapets & heard their loud hurrahs as they raised the stars & stripes. Gen. Sherman dictated a dispatch to the boat & he & Gen Howard left in a small boat for the fort. It seemed to me a great & important moment. It seemed that then was an epoch in time which would never be forgotten, Then could Shermans army grasp the friendly hand extended to them from the fleet, & we fancied we almost saw the reunion of the two bands of union brothers, - It brought home to me the glorious thought of home & the loved ones there with perhaps quick tiding from there, -

I felt satisfied to return, thinking I was abundantly paid for

my labor.

Wednesday Dec. 14 1864

Camp on the Savannah & Ogeechee road 8 miles from Savannah.

This A. M. heared the particulars of the fight at Ft. McAllister—
Three Regiments formed the assulting party — They gave the rebs only
time to discharge three pieces at them — They lost 60 killed & wounded —
Most of them after entering the fort by musketry & by torpedoes, — Took
some 200 prisoners & about 24 cannons. After dinner we moved from our
old camp — about three miles north east to near where the waggon road
crosses the little Ogeechee — Here we are in front of the enemy in
range of their cannon & almost of their gunshots.

Thursday Dec. 15

A pleasant day - Have lain still all day in camp - Have heard occasional distant discharges of artillery in the east all day - Some think it at Ft. Jackson. - Saw Lieut Roberts today just in from prison at Columbia - Went this eve down to see Ed Lawson Found him wounded in the hospital, wounded the 10th.

Friday Dec. 16.

Very quiet - but little firing - The great topic of interest is the promised mail - It came to Div. Head Qts, by dark. Got around to the Regiments at 11, but before ours was distributed we had orders to move. It was already past midnight, & we had to leave it half distributed - We moved to Corps Hd. Qts to guard prisoners - Sent a letter home by Lt. Roberts.



Saturday Dec. 17

Had three letters from Home viz. Nov 3! 12" & 20 also one from Dr. Merrifield. Rode to the landing today (Kings bridge) with Col. Vancellon (Van Sellar)* - boats had left. Lt. Roberts failed to get off. Coming home I stopped & had a chat with Capt E. C. Lawson.

Sabbath Dec. 18

Sent a letter home today giving account of our campaign as well as the present condition of things around Savannah. At 2 P. M. had orders to move with prisoners to Hilton Head, Went about 4 miles & camped.

Monday Dec. 19

Started - got to Kings Bridge by $8\frac{1}{2}$ - Found terrible swamp on west side & a crowd of teams, Did not get teams over till after noon, Got to Mc.Allister by 2 P. M., Looked over the fort & was surprised to see how strong a post was taken with so small a loss -, Camp for the night near the fort.

Tuesday Dec. 20

Have lain here in camp at Ft. McAllister around the prisoners all day. I have spent a good share of the day watching the vessels coming in & unloading - A large number of discharged officers are about here waiting a chance to go home. Adjutant Ellis came down this morning & said a small part crossed the Ogeechee in front of our old camp & it is expected a crossing will be effected this night.

Wednesday Dec 21

Still guarding the prisoners near Ft. Mc Allister - Soldiers & prisoners all camped out alike - Wind N. West & growing cold, - This P. M. we asked Dr Maj. Anderson & a Col. to dinner - So Col. Vancellan (Van Sellar)* treated them with a bottle of wine, The wine was captured (27 bottles) by Col. V. on Maj. Andersons information last night, There is a report today that the Rebs have evacuated Savannah & all gone into S. C. -

Friday Morning Dec 23

Lay still yesterday as day before Quite cold -wind N. West. This morning coldest we have seen - Wind N. East. We now expect to start on board a boat at noon -

Hilton Head - Sabbath Dec 25 - Christmas.

Here we are guarding Prisoners - Last Friday Dec 23 at 3 P. M. we left Ft. McAllister in the boat Ashland - Had a smooth time - a little seasick - Arrived in port at 11 P. M. - Did not land till morning (Yesterday Dec 24) Found but the part of one Regiment here (the 144th A. C.) A few negro soldiers here - So we are kept to guard the prisoners - This place seems much more like civilization than we have been before for a long time - A plenty of stores - Enough to buy - & women on the streets like other places, I have been to church this A. M. - We (the officers) lodge in an ordinance Sargeants house.

^{*} Van Sellar, spelling has been verified with the Military Department, Springfield Ill.



Hilton Head. Dec. 26

Yesterday was a dull Christmas - Today foggy - About 11 went out on the beech - enjoyed the prospect. - Mild wind warm but rather damp-Sent three (3) prisoners to the hospital today - Had sick call for them when about 40 responded.

Hilton Head - Tuesday Dec 27

On board the Planter - Here I am with some dozen others of our regiment just starting back to Savannah. - About noon today I went out on the beech & spent a pleasant hour - Went back & bought my dinner at the Port Royal house - Had an abundance of cabbage & other vegetables -. At 4 o'clock had orders to start for Savannah - So here I am in the cabin of the little Planter most ready to start. This boat is commanded by a negro, Capt Robt. Smalles. He then pilot, run her out of Charleston harbor, for which act & other acts of bravery, the government made him Captain, He came from Phil. - one week since, where he had been to have her repaired - She now comes out nice & trim. The Captain is a pleasant man - Sits at the head of his table with commendable dignity - He run out of Charleston May 13 - 1862 - since which time he has been in the government service. -

Friday Eve Dec. 30 -

One mile S. West of Savannah We arrived here safely about noon on Wednesday - I liked Capt. Smalles - We had a pleasant trip - Came through the channel - Half way through got fast on the sand & had to lay till morning when the tide arose, - Passed across the gulf & came to Ft. Pulaski about 9 A. M. We had the pleasure of seeing her guns & battered walls - built of brick on an island - A little further up we met a sharp thunder shower. We passed the obstructions safely. The Capt showing commendable care - He stood at the helm all of the time himself - We were rather glad to get with the regiment. Yesterday (Thursday) was very cold windy - Went in town an hour or two - Saw inspection of 17th A, C. & other things - In evening went over to the 7th & had a game of chess with Dr. Leonard. Today I have staid in camp & worked hard fixing our tent for winter quarters, All of the hospital Department move into one tent together.

Saturday Eve. Dec. 31

The last day of the year naturally suggests lonely thoughts, - Cold day - Wind N. W. - with occasional dashes of rain - Have done little today but try to keep warm, - Was disappointed in not getting any mail, out of a big bag that came late last night -

Sabbath Jan. 1 1865

A new years day has again come round. A very cold day - Think I was the coldest last of any night when I tried to sleep - but I had three blankets, - Went church this A. M. to the Presbyterian church - Very dry & cold - After dinner I walked out to the river & back through town, waiting an hour at Dr Zearings till meeting time (7 P. M.) Went with him & Dr Wood to the baptist church - Large house full - most all soldiers - Music by Organ & four voices - One female voice very long & rough.



Monday Jan 2

Fixed up around my tent this A. M. - After dinner went in town & looked around for two or three hours. Gilbert left us today - was detailed to Div. Hospital. Have been spending this evening writing a letter to Willie & Minnie - Pretty hard work - Kept my eyes full of something.

Tuesday Jan. 3

A warm & pleasant day - Made a table this A. M. - This P. M. finished my letter to the children & walked out to Div. Hd. Qts. to see Capt. Benjamin, Rains a little this evening.

Wednesday Jan 4 1865

Nothing remarkable only I had a call in the night (last night) to see a boy with the croup in the nearest house - Have been in to see it today.

Thursday Jan 5

This A. M. Martin & I built a nice little chimney in our tent. This P. M. have been writing a letter to Bainbridge - Have written a sheet of foolscap, & two pages of it double lines. This evening went up to Capt. Benjamin office to get Chap. Grants papers corrected.

Friday Jan 6

Have been writing to Chaplain Grant today, sent his Vouchers also sent the letter to Bain.

Saturday Jan 7

A memorable day for this only - Viz. Gen. Sherman reviewed to-day the 15 A. C. It is the first time I ever went out in review. We marched through the streets of Savannah, - All went smoothly.

Sabbath Jan. 8.1865

My birth day has again come around — It brings to my mind where I was one year ago — I was in Ill. having my sale — It was a cold day — How rapidly the last year has flitted away — Have been to church to— day — Went to the baptist church, Happened to get a seat in the dea— cons pew & beside his family — Wind stiff from the east. The rest of the Regiment came home tonight.

Monday Jan 9

Called up before light. At seven ordered to fall in & move camp in town to do provo duty Waited in town till eleven & ordered back — Took most of the P. M. to get tents up camp fixed again, While in town, saw a girl 3 years old (Elizabeth) whom I asked to ride on my horse — Took her & carried her home — she laughed — thanked me & then gave a kiss.



Tuesday Jan 10 1865

Remained very quietly at home all day - Finished up copying my journal on the campaign - put it in an envelope & have today sent it on to Hattie - No letters of a later date than Nov. 28 - Am beginning to feel quite uneasy & very lonely, - Rainy - growing colder this eve.

Wednesday Jan 11

Went to Div. Hospt this A. M. after medicines - Spent most of the P. M. scouring up instruments of hpt. case. This eve, walked over to the 7th - Flayed a game of chess & with a little help from Nelson beat Dr. Leonard. Some men & officers arrived today from the North - Left N. Y. Jan 5.

Thursday Jan 12

The great interest of the day has been the cavalry review - Went off smooth. About 6000 cavalry in the review - Saw Gen. Logan for the first time to know him - Secretary Stanton was there but I did not get a chance to see him - having no one to point him out - In the evening I went to church at the Baptist church - Had a good sermon house half full of soldiers - The preacher asked one of the soldiers to make the closing prayer - came home at 9 P. M. & found the Colonel & others filling my tent playing cards.

Friday Jan. 13

A beautiful day - but cold enough for a stiff frost this morning - Citizens say it is a cold winter - Rode this P. M. to Capt Benjamines to get some clothes for Alf. After supper walked down in town - I thought, as I walked along, it the most beautiful sunset I ever saw. The romantic live oaks added to the scene, Called upon Lucian Corban & Dr Bundy.

Saturday Jan. 14

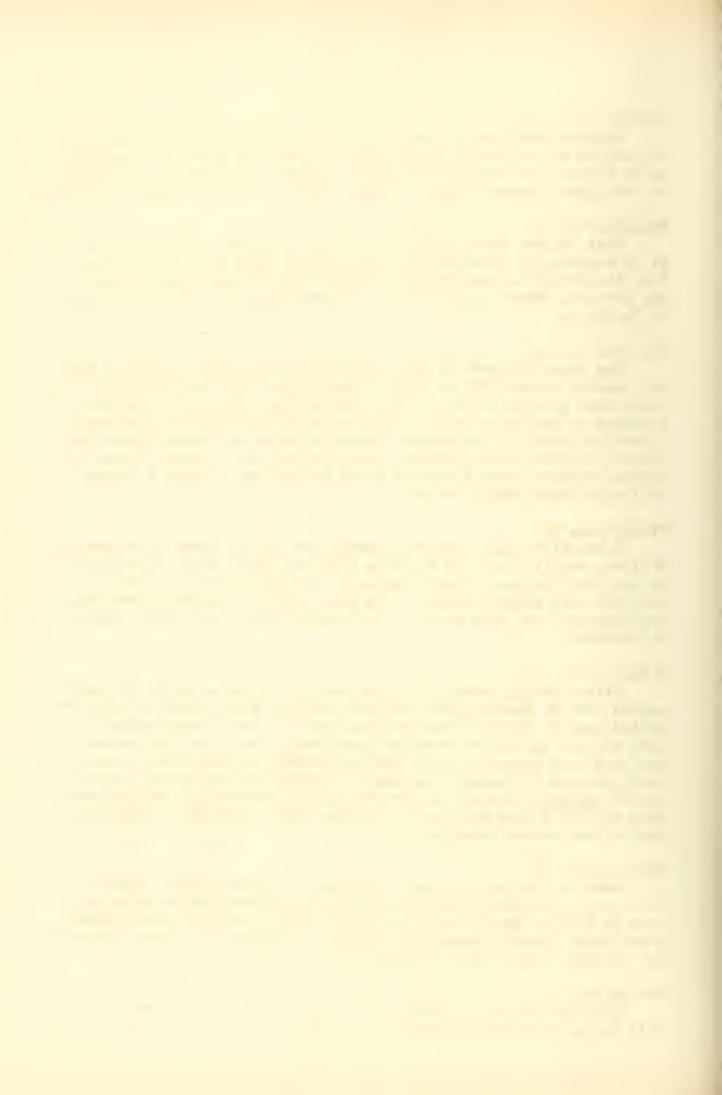
After getting through with our morning duties - Martin & myself walked down to Thunderbold. Saw the shipping & embanking of soldiers. Called upon Dr Davis of the 1st Ala. Cav. - & had a very pleasant call, - Also visited an ancient cemetery near that place, - But few buried there, but what were seemed to be of the aristocratic class Cemetery was large & all covered by stately live oaks planted in regular rows - everything looked ancient, Grounds all covered with underbrush - Since commencing this journal I have received a precious letter from Hattie dated Jan. 6 only a week coming through.

Sabbath Jan. 15

Went to the baptist church this A. M. A good sermon - Text I think in 1st Timothy 4 chapt. - "Godliness & Propitiation" Also went back to Sabbath School at $3\frac{1}{2}$ but did not stay through - School small & not particularly interesting - Have been writing to Hattie this eve - Got another letter from her this P. M.

Monday Jan 16

Finished letter to Hattie this P. M. - Went down to see Dr Leonard this P. M. Heard today that the 17 A. C. have taken Pocotaligo -



Tuesday Jan. 17

Still quite cool. - Wind N. West. - Written a letter today to Windham - Dr. Swan called today - had quite an agreeable chatt. -

Wednesday Jan 18

News today of the fall of Fort Fisher - At 4 this P. M. we got orders to march at 8 in the morning. Consequently all the camp is excitement. So we are again about starting on another great campaign, All is bustle & confusion - Troops going & coming little aware of what awaits them on the coming campaign - Sent three papers to Hattie today.

Savannah Thursday Jan 19

This morning at 8 we left camp, & marching through the city after a good deal of delay crossed the river saying how are you S. C.
& good by Savannah. Seemed a little hard to move but upon the whole
was glad to be on the campaign - Across the river we waited till 3 P. M.
The road being almost impassible - Add to our discomfort it commenced
to rain quite hard - Ordered back to our old camp a little vexed Pitched tents & got comfortable. Rumored that Gen Sherman arrived in
town today.

Friday Jan 20

Cold & wet - Has rained most all day - Rains hard tonight. Done nothing today but lay in camp & keep as dry as possible - Many of the boys are almost drunk today - The Col. has been issuing them whiskey in view of the exposure - Hence the "Drunk"

Saturday Jan 21

Rains hard most all day. Went to the Div. Host. this P. M. to carry some Description Rolls - Saw Dr Marsh just returned from the North. He is a fine man but has spoiled himself drinking - How provoking - But very few surgeons in our Div. do not drink. A great number of forged orders for whiskey have been sent into the commissary yesterday & today - The effect of whiskey rations given yesterday & day before, I think -

Sabbath Jan 22

Cloudy this forenoon but this afternoon it has rained & this eve, rains very hard - Poor prospect for our starting on our campaign - Almost impossible to start in this rain with the prospects of mud we should have in the country. Went to church this A. M. - Heard a man of the christian Commission preach. This afternoon have been reading in the life of Bunyan. Had a letter this afternoon from Hattie dated Jan 2.

Monday Jan. 23

Rained again hard last night, but this afternoon it cleared off cold - Tonight clear - cold - & windy - Have been quietly in camp all day - Spent a part of the A. M. writing to Hattie.



Tuesday Jan 24

Nothing of any interest today - Finished letter to Hattie & sent off with some live oak leaves - Dr. Leonard called a half hour this A. M. - The rest of the staff officers went to take dinner with Lieut. Andrews & I staid at home. They thought I was gone however or I might have been asked also - Cold N. West wind today.

Wednesday Jan 25

Cold West wind - Remained quietly in camp all day till this evening when I went over to see Dr Leonard - Staid till $9\frac{1}{2}$ playing chess - We settled up our mess bill today & found the round bill of about \$50 a piece since the middle of Dec. - The third Brig have orders this evening to move at 9 tomorrow morning - Do not know whether we go tomorrow or not till next day. I have been feeling a little lonely yesterday - & today - Do not know the cause Have been thinking about home & wishing I could go there - It is late but I must read a chapter in my bible & take another look at the dear picture in my watch before I go to bed.

Thursday Jan. 26

This morning the third Brigade started for the second time but only got to the edge of town when they were ordered back. This A. M. I took a stroll through town & by the Div. Hospt - clear, cold & windy (N. West) I think the coldest day we have seen, Feel most sick with headache this evening.

Friday Jan 27 1865

The interest of this day is in the fact that the 3rd brigade started this morning & we have orders to move at 7 in the morning - It causes some rather anxious thoughts to embark on an other unknown campaign, - Received a letter from Hattie this F. M. & notwithstanding the hurry of moving I have been writing to her - Looked over some of the Chaplain accounts today - Cold, Have had headache today & yesterday.

Saturday Jan. 28

In camp 15 miles N. West of Savannah - Started between 7 & 8 this morn, Saw the ruins of the fire in Savannah, About midnight I was waked by explosions like artillery - Saw a great fire in town - Supposed to be the work of Reb. Emmissary fireing Arsenals - Several blocks were burned, & much ammunition. After leaving town we passed through pine forests & only one or two houses - Rather cool N. W. wind but pleasant. The march makes me feel good. Rather lonely starting out again.

Sabbath Jan. 29

Seemed little like Sabbath - In fact I never thought of it all day till we got in camp about sundown. Started at 6 A. M. Made but about ten miles today - Ground so wet our regiment had to pick rales to corduroy most half the time - They got pretty tired. Think we passed but two inhabited houses - Three or four more had been burned - Country the same level pine barrens -



A fine day - pretty cold - Did not make our full days trip - The 3rd Brig. stopped $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles back & e are one mile short of Springfield -

Monday Jan 30 1865

Left camp at 7 - Came on to Springfield - Passed one man of 81st 0. who broke a leg felling trees. Waited at Springfield till most 10 for the 3rd Brig. & Kilpatricks Cavalry to pass - Had a good road to-day except two or three swamps. Springfield is the county town of Effingham County - Most of the houses were burned last week by the soldiers. A small town but some pretty live oaks around. Came on about 9 miles passing a part of the 20 A. C. & camped within a mile or two of Sister's ferry. A nice day but cold night. -

Tuesday Jan. 31

The aniversary of wedding - I can hardly realize that it is eleven years since that time. Many happy days with all the cares & trials accompanying - I wish this cruel war was over & I could go home & enjoy the sweets of home. I feel that I am indebted to Hattie for much that I am & have enjoyed. May I ever prove worthy of the rich trust given me -

A beautiful day & we have remained and expect to be for several days, The whole of the 14" A. C. is here, with our Div. of the 20 A. C. & the 3rd Div. of the 15 A. C. and most of Kilpatricks Cavalry, - All waiting for the finishing of the bridge & ready to cross. I rode out to the bridge today & saw two boats unloading supplies.

Wednesday Feb. 1 1865

A beautiful day - Lay still in camp - After breakfast I walked down to the landing (2 miles) Two boats were just coming in from Savannah, Brought supplies - No papers or news - One boat went up to the upper landing two miles on the opposite side). A big detail are at work on the road, - Three or four miles of swamp yet to corduroy. - This evening the Col. learns that Sherman has already cut loose from Beaufort & expected to meet us today 20 miles north of here, & it is expected that as soon as we can cross the river we cut loose with 20 days rations on our other great raid - This eve I walked out alone & enjoyed the twilight.

Thursday Feb. 2

This morning Dr. Newell came on the boat up from Savannah along with another officers from home. Dr. N. is hardly fit for the field—I like his appearance very well — He does not appear disconcerted to find me in his place —. Have been writing home this P. M. — Hardly expect to have another chance to write to home before we leave. A large mail came today but none for this Div. — We suppose ours (our mail) has gone to 15 A. C. — I feel a little disappointed that my commission has not come before we leave. Gen Corse has reviewed the 3rd Brig. today —

Our Brigade expects to be reviewed tomorrow. Hardly expect to be able to cross the river for 3 or 4 days. I have been drawing a map of a portion of S. C. today.



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Pollock Street Opposite side from town in a Book Store - Officer Straps.
Mrs Mary A. Bickerdyte
Major Gaslin M. D. With Gen Logan Ft Duchesne
"Wadsworth
Mark Boatman Co. C.

N. Y. to Albany 144

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Washington 226
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Things about Home
Civill & Calvert
431 - Main St -- Louisville

1 Feb 19 from - Chesterfield with picture

Wednesday July 20 (S. Tindham)

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List of Letters Home to H.

No 2 Feb 22 from Springfield No 3 Feb 23 camp B to Willie with .50 No 4 Feb 24 & 25 Louisville No 5 Feb 29 & March 1 from Pulaski No 6 March 8 & 9 from Pulaski No 7 March 14 from Pulaski -No 8 March 21 from Pulaski No 9 March 28 from Pulaski No 10 Apr. 2 - Pulaski No 11 Apr. 14 Thursday morn. Fulaski No 12 Wednesday Apr 20 Commenced (Apr. 15) " 13 Thursday Apr 28 - Journal " 14 Sunday May 1 Athens 11 15 Wednesday May 11 Athens Tuesday May 17 Athens, with order for clothes 11 16 11 17 Tuesday May 24 Athens Tuesday May 31 Athens (to Phil) 18 Monday June 6 Athens (to Phil.) 19 Wednesday June 8 Athens (to Phil) 20 Tuesday June 14 Athens (to Phil) 21 Sabbath June 19 (did not go out till Tuesday) (to Phil.) 22 Wednesday June 22 (with Journal (to N, N.) 23 Monday June 27 (written yesterday) 24 Saturday July 2 (spoke of buying in Iowa) 25 26 Sabbath July 10 (to S. Windham) 27 Friday July 15 (to S. Tindham)



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        Sabbath Oct. 23 (Wrote yesterday & today)
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        Sabbath Oct 30 (Journal for July to Oct)
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       About Thursday Nov. 3 (from Rome
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       Tuesday Nov 8 (with Draft ($700) on N. Y.)
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       Thursday Nov 10 (To Kingston - with $50,00)
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       Friday Dec. 16 (from Savannah by Lt. Roberts
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        Sabbath Dec. 12 by mail
        Sabbath Dec. 25. from Hilton Head.
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        Jan (2 & 3) with Willie & Minnie
       Jan 10 (from Savannah - with Journal)
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       Jan 16 (Monday) To Gill
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       Jan 27 Friday eve before starting
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       Feb 3 (with Journal)
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       March 13 (from Fayetteville)
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    March 11 H. D. Platt
           " O. C. Burton
    About the 7th to W. B. Burton
    March 20 to Carter Miller
          21 to F. W. Ingmire Springfield Ill
          " to W. B. Burton
          22 to F. W. Ingmire Springfield
          26 to L. M. Berry (25 & 26)
          27 to L. J. Lee
    Apr 9 to Reb. H. D. Platt
      " 13 to Sister Marie Pierce
      " 23 " W. B. Burton
      u II Z. B. Lawson
      " 27 " F. W. Ingmire
    May 12 F. W. Ingmire (& $3.00)
      " 24 Frank A. Upham
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" 25 Julia A. Willard " 22 Orlando & Mother



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H. P. Goodall
June 14 Perkins boys
     16 E. Upham with $3.00 from near
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     H Z. B. Lawson
     27 Express agent at Athens
     29 W. B. Burton (telling him to buy land.)
July 2 J. B. Newton (Cumberland Hosp.)
July 10 J. B. Newton (Con. Camp Mur ).
     10 Julia A. Willard (for box)
     18 Chester Willard
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     23 J. D. Moore
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     W. B. Burton
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     31 Rev. Mr. Platt
   16 Ir Merrifield (44 Ill)
Aug
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     18 To Wm Baldwin & wife
     30 Julia & Chester Willard
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September 19 to S. J. Lee ( 10 pages. about Dixie
          20 to O. C. Burton - Most the same as above
Sept 25 & Oct 2 to W. B. Burton
Oct. 24 Mary & Mrs Upham
     30 To Surgeon Gen (with receipt)
Nov 5
        To Mother
   8 To W. B. Burton
Jan
    6 To Chaplain Grant With vouchers
    17 To Windham (O. C. Burton)
Apr. 20 Chaplain Grant.
     26 To Mrs Bickerdyke
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    15 Mother & the rest at Windham
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     want some Blue Mass tonight -
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Wallace E. Sanborn

Package \$15. sent by express from Lawson to Decatur Michigan. He wishes me to enquire at Chattanooga - Sent July 12

Mahlon Barns

Box from Boabill Ohio. Enquire at Chattanooga Sent July 8 Lt. Anderson in charge Contb. Camp -Cumberland Rogers E.

Articles bought Sept. 8

20	lb	Pork	18	3.20
30	16	Flour	4	1.20
5	11	Coffee	55	2.75
1	11	Tea	150	.75
5		Sugar	20	1.00
2		Candles	25	•50
10		Salt -	11/2	15

H. H. McChesney

Capt Co. E. 2nd N. Y. Mld Rifles

Description of Draft sent to Hattie Nov 7 1864

"Assistant Treasurer of the U. S., N. Y. Reg. to E. R. Burton order Seven Hundred dollars" & signed by James Lipton AC paymaster and dated Rome Ga Nov 7 1864 U. S. A. No. on the Draft is "No. 9"

I have endorsed it over to R. King Caldwell

Planter - Robt. Smalles Brought out May. 13 1862 Jan. 5 Albert Hutton Co. C. - State Strap

John F. Larkin - (Due \$4.00)
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Hilton Head Sabbath Dec 25

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Tuesday Dec. 27

On board the Planter Here I am just started from Hilton Head for Savannah - Went out on the Beach & spent a pleasant hour about noon - Took dinner at the P.t. Royal house - Had an abundance of cabbage &



other vegetables - At 4 oclock had orders to start for Savannah with the adjutant & some others.

Sisters Ferry Saturday Eve. Feb. 41/65

Here we are at last on the S. C. side of the Savannah river. Yesterday It was rainy - I finished up a letter home & sent it off with my journal up to the present time. Got acquainted with Dr Newell, who seems to be a very pleasant man. After dark the 20 A. C. train commenced to go past. & at day break this morning the troops also commenced to pass - Yesterday P. M. I went out on Brigade review with the rest. -Today has been a beautifully pleasant day. In the A. M. Dr N. & myself went up to the ambulance Corps. After dinner went out to water my horse let him graze for an hour while I read the Savannah papers of Feb. 2. When I got back I found them just falling in to move camp, They were greatly concerned to know where I was - I saddled up & was soon with the rest, At 4 oclock we crossed the bridge & found ourselves in S. C. - Went la mile over an auful cog way & came out on a sandy ridge at the landing where we are expected to load up with rations for the campaign, This eve is warm & pleasant with a good moon light, We are well satisfied to be in S. C. on another campaign - There is a report this P. M. that Gen Logan has had a very severe fight at Branchville & taken the place - It needs confirmation.

Sabbath Feb. 5 -

A pleasant day but spent like other Sabbaths in the army - Saddled up to start at 8 A. M. - but the trains of the 20 A. C. were in the road so we waited & never got in the road till 5 P. M. Our trains were all loaded up with rations for 20 days during the night - so we are ready to go & say good by to the outer world - At 5 we entered the swamp & were till 9 oclock passing over (about 3 miles) It was most all corduroy. Camped on two farms & in an open field -

Monday Feb. 6

Rained some most all day - Started at 7 in the rear - Out one mile passed the ruins of Robertsville - A village of 15 or 20 houses - Every house but the church was burned. Marched north 12 miles & camped - Hindered by the trains in mudholes - County was well settled up - but only two houses escaped the fire except negro quarters, Looks pretty hard, got in camp at seven wet & cold.

Tuesday Feb. 7. 1865

Rained all night but I kept dry - Got up this morning at 4 & started at $6\frac{1}{2}$ in a hard rain, - Our regiment in front - We struck our 8 miles to repair the bridge over the Coosawhatchie - Got there at 9 A. M. - found a swamp of $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to corduroy - & some 100 yards of bridge to plank - The plank had been thrown into the river but were all lodged in the bushes. We worked hard till 3 P. M. before we could take on the train. We crossed & went into camp immediately near the bridge on a once nice plantation - The buildings were all burned last week - The 8 miles passed today was poor & uncultivated, - forests This is Hickory Hill - The 15. A. C. passed through here a few days since -



Started at 7: - Cleared off in the night. Tolerably cool with stiff west wind - Cur Brig. in front - Road this A. M. was pretty muddy, at noon passed Crockettsville - every shanty burned. Came on 12 miles to a creek without much trouble - arrived at 3 - We all worked hard till sundown before any could cross then the bridges were poorly constructed & only the battery & a few brigade waggons crossed & part camp on our side & part on the other. Passed 10 or 12 houses (all but two or three burned, The last house was occupied by three old maids - They felt bad to loose everything - House not burned. I asked if the soldiers took much of their property - They said they were poor - but every thing in the form of provisions was taken.

Thursday Feb. 9

We got up in good season, but as only a little of the train crossed the swamp last night we had to wait for them to come up - The bridge proved poor & they never completed crossing till 3 P. M. This A. M. was clear - It soon clouded & grew cold with some snow flakes, One of our men (James Culey) out two miles with 5 others was captured, & we fear he was murdered by guerillas - Started at 3 marched 8 miles and crossed the Big Salkhatchie at Rivers Bridge & camped - Country begins to look better - Passed one house today that was painted white with green blinds - About one half of the houses have been burned -Reported today a soldier has insulted a lady & threatened her. At one plantation the out buildings were on fire & the man & woman trying to save them - Their gin was burned. At Rivers bridge there is a mile of corduroy with several small bridges - At the north end are earth works -& it is said that our men had a severe fight - here last week Wednesday (Feb. 1) & lost 4 or 500 men - We camp in the works - Too dark to see much to night & we have orders to start at 6 A. M.

Friday Feb. 10

This morning cold - Ice 1/8 inch thick. Fleasant all day & warm tonight, Started at day break. I went around to see the breastworks around the bridge - They were a mile long - Traveled 20 or 22 miles - Had good roads & got in by sun down. - Passed a good country & fine plantations out 7 miles we passed Beaufort Bridge - a small town every house but church burned - Six miles further passed Dr. Rices plantation, A fine house - He is in the army - $\frac{1}{2}$ of the houses were burned.

Saturday Feb 11

A beautiful day & a memorable day - Started early - out 4 miles crossed the R. R. 22 miles W. of Branchville - Six miles further N. E. crossed the Edisto about noon following the 17 A. C. Went four miles further north & camped, 17 A. C. on the right & the rest of the 15 A. C. on left, We are now 18 miles from Branchville & 45 from Columbia - Passed a fine country today - the north side of the river is splendid Magnificent plantations. 2 miles from the river passed a fine plantation - Although there were some women left, the boys tore up furniture & ravaged the smoke houses - some 40 or 50 negro houses, Entered the first (the first of this campaign) inhabited house today near the R. R.



Sabbath Feb. 12

Another Sabbath in the field - Started between 7 & 8 - A very pleasant day - Came 10 miles & camped near the North fork of the Edisto river - The whole 15 A. C. are assembled here to cross - About two divisions crossed this P. M. & we expect to go in the morning - There was skirmishing here this A. M. but the rebs withdrew destroying the bridge. It is said the rebs have left Branchville. Passed no good plantations today - only 4 or 5 small farms.

Monday Feb. 13

Wind went into the N. E. last night & this A. M. all day was very cold - Ordered to start at 5. Two Div. crossed the river last eve, & one this morning before light & before we crossed - After crossing we went N. one other Div. on the same road, Marched about 20 miles & camped 20 miles South of Columbia - Passed but 3 or 4 plantations but found enough forage - Several nice horses brought in today - Roads good & we marched along fast All quite tired. Gen Sherman was with us today. His Hd. Qrs. also Gen. Logans are near us tonight. The most interesting sight today was the burning of the turpentine forests, They rolled up terrible clouds of smoke & furious flames. Branchville is evacuated & the 17 A. C. is today tearing up R. R. on our right.

Tuesday Feb. 14

Slept poorly last night on account of so much uproar about captured horses - Our reg. got some 20 horses & mules. Started at 7 A. M. & marched some 8 miles - camped at 11 A. M. near Sandy Run P. O. - We are 12 miles from Columbia - A branch of the Sonter is between us & Columbia. Think the rebs are to make a stand here - This P. M. it has commenced to rain.

Wednesday Feb. 15

Rained this A. M. Wet but no rain today. Started at 7 came on 7 or 8 miles & camped - At 3 P. M. ordered to move on - Moved about two miles to the creek between 4 or 5 miles from Columbia - Have heared skirmishing most all day - & occasionally cannonading - There have been several killed & wounded today. The Rebs had fortified this creek but abandoned it - Our wagons did not come up so as to have supper till 9 P. M. At this moment there are cannon shots in the direction of town that reverberate beautifully.

Thursday Feb. 16 -

A warm & beautiful morning — About 9 A. M. we started out crossing the Congaree creek on the road to Columbia — After crossing we emerged into an open field — a level bottom some $l\frac{1}{2}$ miles across — Here was a splendid view. On the right was the river (Congaree) — On the left was a series of low hills — In front & across the river, two or three miles distant were the steeples & chimneys of Columbia — The valley was covered with moving colums of soldiers — The first & second Div. A. C. was in front of us & the 3rd was following — The whole field was glistening with bright bayonets — Music enlivened the scene. It seemed like a grand exhibition for the view of the people of Columbia — An occasional cannon shot was fired by the rebs, — But it is reported the rebs are all leaving town — About noon we left the field going into



the wood & passing by the Town - After going a mile or two & getting opposite the upper end of town we emerged into plain view of town only the river separating us - Here was another splendid view - The town covering a bold eminence & interspersed with evergreens looked inviting - The state house on the highest ground stood up boldly, but the soldiers all were cursing that spot as the cause of our being here - Our gun was planted & occasionally fired a shot at the state house. At one time we had a little sport seeing the battery shell a little camp of rebs south of town, they got out on the double quick - There seems to be only one rebel cannon left in sight - That is South of town - At sundown we started to cross the Saluda - Went up la miles further, & crossed about 9 P. M. & camped between the Saluda & Broad rivers, Our baggage did not arrive till between 11 & 12 so we had no supper but lay down & slept on the ground around our fire - This has been a memorable day -

Friday Morning Feb. 17 -

Took a slight cold last night - Pleasant - Will not move this A. M. Hear rapid skirmish firing down to the river -

Friday Eve. Feb. 17 -

Another memorable day — At $1\frac{1}{2}$ P. M. we crossed the Broad river — lst Div first & 4! next. lst Div. camped in town — The rest of the A. C. camped around the town in line of battle — After dark I saw the town on fire — Walked down & found a general riot, Boys drunk & scattering the tobacco & other plunder profusely — Several large blocks of stores already burned & a prospect of all of the town being burned, A rich, but melancholy sight — upon the whole it is a just retribution, I picked up a nice white double blanket, at a big hotel just ready to burn —

Saturday Feb. 18 -

Another memorable week has passed, - but today has been still more memorable - Last night was that terrible fire that destroyed most of Columbia - This A. M. I took a walk around town & saw a sight I hope to never see again, All around the outskirts of the city were groups of women & children sitting on their little all that was left them. All looked tired - Many crying & despondent .- Some all patient, submissive & quiet, - & some complaining terribly about the Yankees - I think a large proportion were poor & mostly women & children. I talked with some but it made me feel too bad to be endured - The soldiers had a terrible drunk on liquor found in to.m, And then they run riot all night. They not only fired housed but robbed & pillaged both houses & citizens almost indiscriminately. I also made the acquaintance of a Capt. Mc. Chesney who with 34 others escaped prison as the rebs were evacuating this place. Said they were helped out by some women, & he was trying to get them through with the army, north, Reg. out burning R. R. today.

Sabbath Feb. 19

Another Sabbath has passed away almost like other days. This morning had orders to all join the regiment with the ambulance. Started with some confusion - Before going out I rode up in town - saw nothing very new - I hoped to see Capt. Mc Chesney. Overtook the train out



6 miles, came up to the Reg. out 14 miles - They were tearing up the R. R. towards Branchville, I went out two miles & got some sweet potatoes, & met the Reg. in camp after dark - A pleasant day - Heared two or three heavy explosions in the direction of town this P. M. The land & plantations passed today have been fine partly sandy & partly clay bottoms.

Monday Feb. 20

Started at sunrise & took a generally northern course. Soon left the plantations came into a sandy hilly & barren regions, No houses — No grass — Only sparce & scrubby pines, & oak scrubs. Marched along rapidly & got in camp at sundown having marched at least 22 miles or more. At 8 P. M. our Div. train joined us from Columbia — All 4 Divisions of the 15 A. C. are now near here — We are 16 miles from Columbia & 16 from Camden — We now think we are going immediately to Camden — The explosions heared yesterday was the accidental explosion of shells which killed & wounded a large number of soldiers —

Tuesday Feb. 21 -

Another pleasant day - & another hard days march. Left camp at 6 - Had trouble in getting some sick men into the ambulance corps - one of them I think has failed to come up to night, Left the sandhills out one or two miles & came upon a rocky soil with clay in some places. The country today has been hilly & supplied with small plantations - Mirch at least 20 miles nearly north & camped on a creek 20 or 25 miles N. W. of Camden 17 A. C. on our left.

Wednesday Feb. 22

Washington's birth day - Ordered to start this morning at 7 but the 2nd & 3rd Div. passed us so we did not get to moving till $12\frac{1}{2}$ - Very smoky to day. Moved N. E. on the road from Winnsboro to the Wateree river - Marched about 8 miles & camped near Peag's Ferry - Three Division are hear to cross - Country today has been quite hilly - Some rocky & some clay - said to be 5 or 600 rebs in our vicinity to-day - Two union soldiers were killed by them today, The creek on which we camped last night is called Dutchmens creek. The most interesting sight today was the crowds of refugees both black & white & It looks melancholy indeed to see so many woman & little children start out without friends & on foot to find a home. Little black children not over six years trudging along - & then mothers carrying babies - How I pitied them. Country seems pretty well cultivated about here.

Friday Feb. 24 -

Another period of particular interest has passed in the last two days — At noon yesterday we passed the Wateree River — Up two miles passed a pretty town (Liberty Hill) Made a rapid march of ten miles more & camped between 9 & 10 oclock. Passed a fine country — pretty hilly — but well cultivated — A red clay — Travelled S. east down the river — Started this morning at 7 & marched all day in the rain. Struck a sandy soil this morning. But the peculiar interest of the day is the capture of Camden — The 12 & 66 Ill left the Div. train 5 miles & entered town. In the suburbs of town we passed the old battle ground of Camden the darkeys called it Kirkwood — The hill is covered by some most magnificent residences. Camden was a beautiful town, but



the soldiers went in for plunder - They gutted all of the stores, Seeing a lady looking quite emploring I went up to the door - She said she had been wishing to see some officers & asked me in. She pretended to be a union lady - Three others & myself took dinner with her - Her husband was on the R. R. - Expected the train in at 5 oclock - The citizens were well frightened - We skared up a few Jonnies & captured 3 or 4, Staid in town only two hours, but the trip is long to be remembered, We got in camp at dark 15 miles from last nights camp - We are East & North East of Camden - On the Big Pine Tree Creek - at Kersham's Mengo Mills - Many of the boys got drunk in town on wine, & we have probably left quite a number of stragglers behind - I would love to have lingered around the place of so much Historic note - The old house - once the Hd. Qrs. of Cornwallace was standing, but used for a ware house - I did not see it - It was fired & burned up by orders of the commander -

Sabbath Feb. 26

11. A. M. - Here we are on Lynches Creek. 20 miles E. of Camden - We have marched about six miles this morning & are now waiting for the bridge to be repaired before we cross - Yesterday was a cold wet day - Marched 8 miles & camped on Little Pine Tree Creek. Went in camp at 3½ - Had just finished supper when orders came to move out, Started out with the 7½ 52" Ill. - Dark as Egypt with rain & thunder - Went two miles & camped at some crossroads - It seems reported that Gen. Hampden is near with 5000 cavalry & we were put out as an out post - I returned to our old camp & slept in the tent after 12 oclock - This morning we started out & joined the regiment & marched on rapidly - Country from Camden here is level & sandy - few plantations - Mostly covered with pines. It is Sabbath - but like others seems little like the Lords day -

Evening -

Today we have effected the passage of Lynches creek - The trains commenced to cross at noon but the water continuing to rise, The road poor & every wagon cutting it up worse, only a few crossed but the battery. Our division all crossed leaving our baggage on the other side, Water from knee to belly deep for more then ½ mile, The boys went in with yells, - The horses got in holes & plunged around greatly - A few got ducked - I got over well - horse almost swan once or twice - I brought over blankets, & we camp out tonight - Some skirmishing today. The first crossed - But the foragers had a great fight - some wounded & they killed several Johnnies - They now say there are 1500 Reb. cavalry in our front. Sabbath has again passed. Has been a clear warm, & pleasant day. Gen Howard & Logan are both here. The 2nd Division crossed today five miles below here -

lionday Feb. 27 -

Another mild & pleasant day - Creek higher this A. M. than last evening - Had fallen a few inches this P. M. - but no crossing with waggons - A few pass over in boats - brought over rations in boats for the Division I rode over & got some things. Troops are all laying here same as last night - Foragers have been out several miles & find no Rebs. It will be several days before the trains can cross the creek.



As our baggage is not over we have to live rather roughly - Slept well out of doors in a terrible declast night - Borrowed both rations & cooking utensils, today, to cook our dinners - had griddle cakes & coffee with some ham - Cakes pretty so gy - Thought of home - would like to know how they are getting along but would hardly care to have them see me in so dirty & forlorn a plight, we are puzzled to know where we are going - We are the extreem right & are going N. East. Seem to be going too far north to strike Florence.

Tuesday Feb. 28

Rained last night cloudy & wet all day - Went this A. M. over to the seventh & played two games of chess with Dr. L. beating him both times. Foot bridge finished today - I went over & got some things - Waggons commenced to cross at sundown but I think but few will cross tonight. River going down rapidly, but road very bad - Foragers went out eight miles today - Some Reb. infantry out there, A prospect we may leave here tomorrow. Rumored that the 14! A. C. lost their pontoons & part of their trains, We do not believe it.

Wednesday March 1 -

Rained last night - Cloudy but no rain today. The Ambulance train & a few waggons got over in the course of last night. By the help of heavy details of men to repack the road this morning the Div. train was got over at 1 this P. M. At 2 P. M. we started out, - took the road, N. E. towards Cheray - Went 10 miles & camped on the banks of the Black River - The same sandy prairies - A little rolling - A few houses on the first half of the route - but none since. The trobulous passage of Lynches Creek is a memorable incident.

Thursday March 2

Lain still all day in camp - The bridge across Black river was repaired this forenoon & our Div. train was all the afternoon crossing. Our brigade fell in to bring up the rear, but, Gen. Howard, his staff & train arriving, we were left as a guard for him, We are expected to cross in the morning & went 21 miles to Cheraw - Our Div. has gone 5 miles tonight, The first Div. is following us - The 2nd & 3rd are behind us but we expect they will keep to our right, The 17th corps are on our left, but they have got ahead of us & it is said are within eight miles of Cheraw - Harden is said to be at Cheraw wit. 20,000 men - We have many rumors today - One that our gunboats are up the Pedee river to communicate with us -Another that Scofield in capturing Wilmington captured two brigades of rebs. Also that Grant had taken 13,000 prisoners - How much is true we do not know - Wilmington is undoubtedly taken. Everything goes on well only the delay at Lynches Creek (Tyller's ford) but we do not know when to expect disaster -Have been thinking a great deal of home today - Wish I knew they were all well & happy - Also wish I could let them know how well we were getting along. Cloudy & cold today but no rain.

Friday March 3

Started at 7½ this morning & after crossing Black River (a small creek) went N. E. over a rolling country - Sandy & with no houses for 10 or 12 miles. No water for 10 miles - Kept in the rear of Howards train - Marched about 18 miles rapidly - Caught up with the Div. at



4 as they went in camp - Cloudy today but this eve, it has cleared off pleasant with a mild moon looking out, We camp within four miles of Cheraw near some Rebel breastwork. The 17 Corps came upon them this A. M. & they abandoned them without a fight & retreated through Cheraw & across the river. The darkeys say there has been a gunboat in the river since last Monday but we do not know whether union or Rebel - Country very poor about here.

Saturday March 4

How wonderfully rapidly has this week passed - Can hardly realize that it is so near another Sabbath - We left our camp this A. M. at 9 was delaid while passing the Rebel breastworks for an hour or two. There saw a curiousity. It was a bull & cow & calf said to be from Africa - Terrible homely - Horns flat & sloping backwards, Came on slowly in the mud & got in town (Cheraw - 4 miles) at about one - The 17 A. C. were occupying the place - took it yesterday with but little skirmishing. Guards at all the houses & no property destroyed - Ladies were pleasantly looking out at the windows - Passed a rebel hospital in town where were 2 or 300 patients - Called & saw Allen Goodsell - Went a mile & half North East of town & camped. One brigade of infantry have crossed the Pedee - Pontoons most done - We expect we may have to cross tomorrow. The banks of this river are covered with rich plantations. Our present camp is on Poes Plantation.

Sabbath March 5

Today has seemed the most like a Sabbath of any day since leaving Savannah. The regiment lay still in camp - Had inspection but I am not required to appear - A pleasant day - comfortably warm - frogs peeping cozily - This forenoon Dr. Newell & myself rode down in town to see if we could hear of any preaching - Every thing was still & quiet & it really seemed like Sabbath - No noisy brawling about town, It was a very pretty town of some 3 or 4,000 inhabitants, but without the evidences of wealth or aristocracy that we found in either Columbia or Camden We rode around passed Hd Quarters of both Gen. Sherman & Blair & Howard, Called in at the Baptist Church a fine little church with a melodion on which Newell played a few tunes, All the stores had been sacked - but a few burned - This eve, I have been down again all the stores had been burned - Vast clouds of dense smoke were arising from burning buildings & ruins of Turpentine works & hung around town in mournful grandeur - I went into the church-yard around the Episcopal church - church was an ancient building - Said to have been used as a hospital by the British in the revolutionary war - There were some crumbled piles of brick marking the graves of some buried long ago -Two at the corner of the church were said to be the graves of Marion and Sumpter but I cannot believe it - One new grave marked the resting place of a private in a N. Y. Reg. died march 4/65 - Took supper with Dr. Leonard - Walked home enjoying the moonlight very much indeed -The 17' & part of the 15 A. C. crossed the river today - It is said that Scofield is 35 miles west of Wilmington - also rumored that Goldsboro is ours -

Monday March 6

Started at 8 this morning to cross the river got in town & had to wait till noon - for the 2nd Division to get out of the way - At 10 there was a terrible explosion which killed several men - tore down



buildings & broke class generally over town. At 12 we crossed & went east 4 miles & camped. The whole A. C. is near here - Cheraw has escaped quite ell - only the R. R. buildings & stores - I am getting about satiated with burning.

Tuesday March 7 -

A beautiful day - Started at 7 joins east & a little north about 8 miles through a beautiful country & among fine plantations & camped at noon on a small creek - We are said to be now 50 miles from Fayette-ville & 40 from Elizabeth both on the Cape Fear river - We begin to think we shall get our supplies somewhere on the Cape Fear river - This P. M. We have been lying in camp resting & enjoying ourselves quite well. Dr. Newell was put in charge of the refugees two days since - He has been with them most of the time today - Think he has a rather bad sight. Today I stopped at a house where there was a rebel soldier home sick - Had a fever - He left Columbia about the time we arrived before it. It is a beautiful moonlight evening - I have been sleeping out of doors of late - like it well - These plantations about this neighborhood are owned by the Stubbs. - A darkey came in tonight & was pleased to see Col Vancellor (Van Sellar) (we called him Gen. Sherman)

Wednesday March 8

Started at 8 - Commenced to rain about the same time & rained all day - Proved to be the most disagreeable day of the whole campaign - Moved in the rear of the 1st Div - & they hindered us - Roads got wet & cut up - By orking hard we moved about 8 miles & camped near a kind of town called Springfield - & on Gum swamp. The bridge within \(\frac{1}{4} \) mile of camp broke down & we had to wait an hour in the rain & dark for it to be built. A Rebel Colonel at Springfield thought he was roughly treated - Everything was taken away & even his money & the jewelry off of his daughters persons - A mile back at Beaver dam Swamp we passed a mill - I called in & talked with an old lady 72 years old - She talked like the rest of the poor folks -

Friday March 10

Yesterday I failed to write in my journal for we got in camp dripping wet at ll oclock - Yesterday morning we left the main road taking a circuitous route so as to avoid a road badly cut up by the other Div. Went & miles to get 4 miles to Laurel Hill - Only a church & two or three buildings - Dwellings all burned - Arrived at 2 P. M. in a terrible rain - I went into the church & waited to 5, while the trains were getting over a swamp. We then came on two miles through terrible mud & splash & holes - & constant rain - That was a terrible march in the dark waiting for the waggons - Where it was not a continuance swamp it was quick sand - We got out 2 miles & waited till 11½ for a bridge to be built - Then camped on the ground - The trains & most of the troops were over & scattered along for miles - At 9 P. M. we relished some Hard Tack & bacon roasted on the end of a stick - I then lay down on a board & rested a while in the rain - Such a life seems to suit my health when once I should have thought it ould have killed me -

This Morn. started at 61 coming over a bad & stampy road 4 miles reached Lumber Creek (Head waters of the Little Pedee) at 11 - Crossed over & found a fine country & good settlement. Went a mile & rested



2 hours of coffee - At 3 started (our Regiment with two others) to on & repair the road - Went north & soon entered a swamp - 2nd Div. just over - Swamp said to be 6 miles through - We went 2 miles & stopped to rebuild a bridge & the men are nov (10 oclock) vorking while our mess is in camp. Yesterday morning after the rest of the regiment had left I waited & saw a reb. Officer (Covan) living at Springfield who thought he had been terribly abused - Everything was taken from him to his daughters jewelry -

Sabbath March 12

P. M. 2 oclock - In the woods two miles from Fayetteville - We have just arrived here having come today from Rock Fish River 10 miles Yesterday we started early & got out of the swamp (almost all corduroyed for most 5 miles) by one oclock - Then found a good road & came on 12 miles further marching rapidly. Arrived in camp at 8½ but our wassens did not arrive till 10 so we waited tired & hungry till 10 when we got a little coffee & Hard tack. Crossed Little Rock fisher creek ½ mile from camp - Camp only ½ mile from Big. R. F. river.

This morning just as we started I got into conversation with quite a respectable refugee family from Columbia. He was a printer -They were burned out when their babe was 5 days old - Two days later the toman started on this journey. I spoke of Mrs Dustin of her captivity - She said she had thought of her quite frequently since she commenced this journey. Our course today has been N. East - Almost no inhabitants. Last Thursday March 9 we passed a large house in flames (about 10 oclock) and in \(\frac{1}{2}\) mile passed the residence of Dr. Patterson. He had a fine office but he had been off so ewhere for several days -He was a widower & had several pretty little children left - I talked with them some. This morning started at 6 came down to the river & waited in a terrible rain for two hours before we could cross horses -After crossing came on a good road - rapidly to this place - Part of the way a plank road - No inhabitants till we came to Rock Fish Town 3 miles back - That seemed to be exclusively a manufacturing community -Made cotton goods - Mill burned down. But the great interest of the day is our arrival at this town where there also arrived this morning two gunboats & one or two transports with the rumor of a mail on board How the thought of mail makes me think of home & long to hear from the loved ones.

Eve, No more signs of mail - We will probably remain here a day or two & then go on to Goldsboro - We are quietly camped in the woods on a hill. Charley Angelo came back from the refugee camp this eve, to say good by. The refugees are to be sent down to Wilmington in the morning - He has been staying with us for several days. He cried to think of leaving - & we all hated to have him go away. He is about 10 years old. It has been a fine day - & this is a fine evening - A full moon adds to its splendor -

Monday March 13

Have been laying all day in camp - Two gunboats are in the river today & a fleet of transports are expected up tomorrow - No mail yet but we hope to get some before we leave - The postmaster is taking in mail & this P. M. I have been writing a letter home - So long since I have written it seems awkward - This A. M. I rode down in town -



Went down to the river & saw the pontoons - 20 A. C. crossing one & the 17 ready to cross on the other. I saw two boats in the river - The Rebs burned the bridge across the river - I did not go in the upper part of town to see the old U. S. Barracks - They look quite imposing from a distance. Fayetteville is an old town - has many dilapidated old buildings. All looks ancient - It was a town of some 6000 inhabitants - The stores were closed & but few of them looked as though they had been sacked - no building burned as yet - Guards are at most every house - The 14" A. C. do the duty in town.

Tuesday March 14

Started at 7 this A. M. with orders to cross the river & camp two miles beyond. On the way I went through town. My chief interest was to see the U. S. barracks - They are on an eminence & are quite imposing buildings, built mostly of brick - The buildings & yards were all nice & tasty. The soldiers were beating them down & preparing to burn everything - Got across the river at sundown - We had to wait for the 17 A. C. to cross, We expect the troops to be all over before morning ready for a march. Fayetteville has escaped destruction. All private property was guarded. Moved 5 miles today. Read N. Y. papers today - one of March 6, paper gives an account of the inauguration & of the capture of Early -

Wednesday March 15 -

Started at nine oclock going in light marching order - Our Div. trains (all the 15 A. C.) went to the right with the 17 A. C. marched about 12 miles & camped on Black River Jonnies on the other side cannonaded us a little - Country as usual only tolerably well settled. Rained hard most of the P. M.

Thursday March 16 -

Started at 6½ - Our Brig in front crossed the river, or rather the swamp - Jonnies gone - came on 7 or 8 miles & found the Jonnies at another swamp - Our Brigade was sent to amuse the rebs while the rest went on another road. We lay in line of battle for several hours - then came on & went in camp with the rest of the Div. two miles further on. Wet all day & rains hard this eve. Saw peach blossoms yesterday & today for the first time. No nice houses, mostly poor farms.

Friday March 17

Cleared off in the night & quite cold this morning - Started at 7 - our Brig in rear. Went on smoothly nearly north till noon & stopped, The rest went to throwing up breastworks while our regiment went out 4 miles west to protect a bridge in the course of the 20 A. C. It was expected the rebs would cross this bridge on their retreat north, They had a fight with the 20 A. C. yesterday - But the rebs had crossed the bridge & destroyed it & had already gone north - We rested an hour & came back by sundown. I saw some of the houses that our bummers had plundered. Passed Hawley's Son F. O. before noon - Cur trip this P. M. showed the condition of the country - We expected to be surrounded by dangers but the further out we went the thicker seemed the bummers - Every house was torn up & the clothing scattered.



Saturday March 18

Started at 9 A. M. & marched ten miles - & camped at sundown at the plantation of Dr Monk. Country & people all the same - A little less sand. We are now 26 miles from Goldsboro & forty (40) from Raleigh - A fine day - Camped on the last nights camp of the rebs - Wade Butlers Hd Qrs. were at Dr Monk last night.

Sabbath Morning March 19

Here it is noon & we are out only two miles - It is a beautiful Sabbath & I think so much of home & a Christian Sabbath - But here we are delayed probably by skirmishing in front - At times we hear rapid cannonading 5 or 6 miles to the left.

Evening March 19 -

This has been a rather memorable day - A pleasant Sabbath - Lay on the road making but 4 miles till 4 P. M. After that marched rapidly till most 9 making 14 or 15 miles today - Went N. East - Terrible swamps & mud the first 4 miles - After that the roads were good. Heard occasionally rapid artillery firing all day - in the morn at N. W. - then West - then at sundown S. West. We got in camp late & the men are commencing fortifying - Many anticipate an attack in the morning - The 14 A. C. had a severe fight this A. M. & we (our whole A. C.) are now in the rebs rear - Think much of home.

Monday March 20

Another beautiful morn & warm day - A few rebel cannons shot in the night, north - Also all the morning - Yesterdays fight was severe - much loss - a draw game - Our men charged in the morning & were repulsed - Then the Rebs attacked us & were repulsed & driven -

Leaving trains at sun rise the 1st 3rd & 4th Div (followed by some 17 A. C.) took a road directly west - River only 2 or 3 miles on right - We kept on marching till noon, with rapid skirmishing in front - At noon (out 10 miles) we struck the Rebs flank near where they fought yesterday - The army rapidly formed in line of battle & threw up breastworks in several lines - Little artillery but rapid skirmish fighting all day - Hence all excitement & no rest - I was so tired L lay on ground & slept several naps - All last might I lay out too cold to sleep (without overcoat & blankets the wag ons not having come up) - & too tired to stand up - Thus has passed this day but we little know what is to happen tonight or what the fate of to-morrow.

Wednesday March 22/65 - 11 o'clock A. M.

On the battle ground two miles from Bentonville - The battle is over & we now meditate - (Here comes an order to move) We are in the rebel works while they are far away & probably still joing - The last of them left this morning at daybreak -

Night before last I slopt soundly notwithstanding constant picket firing - Yesterday A. M. it commenced to rain a little & during the P. M. rained most of the time, Slight skirmishing all the forenoon but no casualties, A little afternoon the Bri ade moved a few hundred yards to the front & commenced to throw up works - In an hours time they had good safe works on the brow of a hill - & swamp in front. It cost two or three accidents in the 66 & 81 but none in the 12 - Before they had them completed I went through them - The whole length of the 12 & half the length of the 66 - Bullets hissed & two or three came so near as



to produce a peculiar nervous wineing. Before sundo:m the 66th made a kind of charge - They crossed over & reached the Rebel works but were obliged to retreat. They lost one killed - one wounded & in the rebel hands - & 5 or 6 others wounded. During all the P. M. there was occasionally so rapid skirmish firing as to make us think there was an attack which would call the men to arms - It was the same during the fore part of the night, At 9 P. M. I went down to the front line to sleep with the Col. in a tent he had there - There was constant skirmishing & moderate artillery firing all night - Occasionally a ball buzzed past - & the heavy booming of the cannon close to our right kept me from sleeping till 12 - My first night under fire - & a memorable night. The thought that a ball might come near was not very pleasant, but still not bad enough to amount to alarm. After once gettin to sleep I slept good - I think the noise made sleep more sound, At two A. i. a wounded man came in & I took him to the ambulance, It was an impression too that we must enter the rebel works in the morning but whether with a terrible fight or not we did not know, Hence the anxiety in the faces of all, Before day the rebel fire stopped & at sunrise we yelp in the rear of their works, After breakfast we followed them up - Found empty works except a few dead - Found abundant effects of the artillery shots, I could not give an intelligible account of this fight from my single stand point - It seems it commenced last Sabbath by the 14 & 20 A. C., Monday the 15 came in on the east & Monday night & Tuesday the 17 came to our right, Tuesday evening the 17 swept clear round into their rear near Bentonville. They had a hard fight there, Johnson seeing himself most surrounded was wise enough to retreat during last night, The 17" A. C. are pursuing them but I presume they will not go far -

Evening March 22

Left the battle ground at noon & came back camping one mile east from our mornings position. In the hospital this A. M. & saw an amputation - We start back from Goldsboro in the morning -

Thursday March 23 -

Left camp at 6 taking the south road towards Goldsboro. A road south of the one we came on. Out four miles struck the road we were on last Sabbath - Crossed it & marching about 14 miles camped 11 miles from Goldsboro - At night went out foraging & got back at 1 A. M.

Friday March 24 -

Was the memorable day we entered Goldsboro - Sherman had a grand review as we entered - Took position 2 miles N. E.

Goldsboro Tuesday Apr. 4 -

I have been sick most of the time since arriving in G. but I mill now try & fill up the interim as well as I can -

Saturday 25

2 A. M. I had a chill - Sick all day with fever headache & back-ache - I took C. C. pills - lay in tent all day -



Sabbath 26

Our mail came - About one half of Hatties letters came through. At night after going to bed my commission came.

Monday March 27"

I was better - got my blank muster rolls - Tuesday filled out the blanks & got mustered in, & in the eve commenced a letter home.

Wednesday March 29"

Got the rest of my mail from home & sent letter to Hattie. Had another chill Wednesday night. Thursday took quinine & felt pretty bad all day -

Friday March 31

Still felt sick with much pain in head back & limbs - Continued quinine moderately -

Saturday Apr. 11

Felt some better but no appetite - Sabbath a pleasant day but I was not out much - Monday Apr 3 I felt much better - I rode over to the 17 A. C. learned that Ed. Lawson was mustered out - Did not see A. Goodrich. Out new chaplain (a conscript) came today & in the afternoon I rode down to town with him in the ambulance - Made out my annual returns of property this P. M. I forgot to say that three days since I sent a petition asking leave of absence. Came back at noon today disapproved. - Today - Apr. 4 - Is a pleasant day I am feeling pretty rell.

Masfield Hospital Monday Ar. 17"/65

Here I am in the Hospital pretending to be sick - But there is a long gap in my journal - Here quietly seated at the table in the Officers ward, & on a pleasant afternoon I will try & fill it up as well as possible - Apr 5" 6" - 7" & 8th were very monotonous. I lay around in my tent sometimes going to my meals but oftener laying behind, I tried to think I felt better but could not - I had no appetite tongue coated - felt weak & almost constant pain in hips & limbs. About Wednesday or Thursday I made believe smart & went out & smoothed off the ground in front of tent for \$\frac{1}{2}\$ hour. It produced a very lame & painful back which I did not get over for a week - Saturday Ar. 8 I rode in ambulance down to see Dr Marsh -

Sabbath Apr 9

I tried to ride horseback, - rode perhaps 1. miles - Called to see Dr. Leonard - It hurt me terribly & I came back with a terrible pain in the small of the back, extending into the hips & then the whole length of limbs. It made me feel discouraged & blue. Then came orders to move the next morning - Monday Morning Apr. 10 I got up - packed up as well as I could & while the rest were getting ready to start I went in ambulance to Div. hospital - All there told me to go to the rear - So I laid around till 10 - oclock at night (every one else going front) when I got on board the cars with 100 more from the 4 Div, for Newbern, We had a terrible time that night. Arrived in Newbern Tuesday morning - Found the hospitals full & were all ordered



to go on to Beaufort - Arrived in Morehead at 2 P. M: - Crossed over to this place at about sundown, tired & fairly worn out, - Wednesday they fitted up a nice room for an officers ward. Thursday & Friday I was about the same - As for several days previous I could only controll the pains by Quinine & Morphine, Saturday I felt some better.

Sabbath Apr. 16

(Yesterday) was a beautiful day - A cool clear bracing west wind -Saturday we had talked about taking a boat ride but the day was bad -Before I knew it the other officers had got the boat & were ready -So rather than loose my ride I went along too not realizing as I afterwards did that it was not really a Sunday trip - however we had a pleasant quiet company of twelve officers - Went out some 4 or 5 miles to an island one in the series of reefs on the N. C. coast. It is not over z mile wide - just a sand bar - On the east side we saw the great waves of the ocean lashing the beech - North 2 or 3 miles was Cape Fear light house & far to the N. & east we could see the sand hills of the beech - Picked up a few shells & started back - We had to head up to a stiff wind by "casts" - the ride was interesting to me only the rough sea looked most too frightful, & the waves dashed over & gave me a good wetting - Today Apr. 17 has been very quiet with nothing of interesting except the melancholy report of the assassination of President Lincoln - What a terrible calamity - Last Saturday I visited the hospital with Mother Bickerdite.

Tuesday Apr. 18 -

A very pleasant day - feel pretty well - This P. M. called on Mr Lynn & wife - Staid & took tea with them & the other teachers. After tea we went around through the new hospital tents where Mrs Bickerdite presides -

Wednesday Apr. 19 -

Today 200 patients were started for the north - I rode over to the transport with them on a little steamer - Came back by Morehead. Reported today that Sherman had sent back a dispatch that there was a general suspension of hostilities. Written a letter today to Chaplain Grant.

Thursday Apr. 20

Rained this A. M. with some thunder & lightning - This P. M. it has been very hot. Today I have been medical officer of the day - Tomorrow I expect to start for the front with several other of the officers, I rather hate to leave here.

Some officers here I am interested in - Chaplain Wm Garland 192 N. Y. has paralysis - Lieut. Bush 112 Ill. from Geneseo - The Post, Chaplain James Ballock is an old man from Baltimore - Last eve, I saw the first lightning bugs -

Friday Apr 21 Said Goodby at Beaufort & started after dinner for the front Got
over to Morehead & here we are still waiting for the cars -



Raleigh Apr. 23 Sabbath -

Yesterday at 6 A. M. left Morehead & came through (143 miles) arriving in R. at 8 P. M. Slept on the floor of a barrom till 4 this A. M. - Started in search of the Reg. Found it after 4 or 5 mile search. Spent most of the day at home resting - Found two letters from home awaiting me -

Monday Apr. 24 -

Quietly camped around Raleigh - Today reports came that peace is not established & we move on Johnson next Wednesday - This morning fixed up desk & finished letter to Hattie. This P. M. went over to see Dr Goslin to give Mrs Bickerdites letter - This eve, went to see Gen Logan & give him Mrs Bs. letters - He was too busy and did not speak to him - Coming back called on Dr Leonard. Boys are some dissatisfied that they are not one home now.

Tuesday Apr. 25 -

A fine day all hurry, getting ready to move tomorrow. Made my monthly reports today for Jan. & Feb. Selected out 8 to go back to the Gen Hospital. Rode down in town this eve, - but had little time to stay & look around. We think Johnson has surrendered & that we do not move tomorrow.

Wednesday Apr 26

A fine day - Had a diarrhea all day produced by eating freely of heavy biscuit last night. We did not move today - It is thought that Johnson has formally surrendered today - Rode over to the seventh a while this eve.

Thursday Apr. 27 -

Warm & pleasant day - Built a shade of pine boughs over our tent this P. M. - Rumors all day that we go north in a day or two. About sundown there came news (by extra paper) that Johnsons army was surrendered & an order from Gen. Howard prohibiting all foraging on the way home except what was paid for etc - Hence the boys are sure that we next go north, & there is loud cheering all over the camps, firing of guns & sending up rockets, Felt a little disagreeable this eve, at some words of the Col. in regard to the Mess.

Friday Apr. 28

We have orders to move at 9 A. M. tomorrow. This A. M. I rode in town - Passed Hd Qr of Gen Howard & also Gen Sherman. Fassed by & saw the house said to be the birth place of Andy Johnson - A mere hut, I think only one room & only one small window. Rode over to the 7th Ill this eve (the mounted portion).

Saturday Apr. 29 -

Camp near Neuse River. Left Raleigh at 9 this A. M. amid the firing of Cannon & other demonstrations of joy - The whole 15 corps took the same road. We marched 10 miles to the Neuse river crossed on a pontoon & went in camp - Have been hearing cannon every half hour from Raleigh - I have been most sick all day with diarrhea - The



boys were all highly elated with the prospect of starting - & I must say it gave me some pleasant feelings - Sent a letter this A. M. to Hattie -

Sabbath Apr. 30

Had a fine shower last night - & today has been a beautiful day - By the christian policy of Gen. O. O. Howard we lay over & rest Sabbath. So we have quietly laid here in camp - but little going on - I have felt so poorly that I have kept pretty still.

Monday May 1 -

May Morning - A cool & fine day - Fell in at 7 - started at 9 but at $12\frac{1}{2}$ out only 5 miles - One division ahead - We then struck out & made 20 miles camping on south side of Fear River opposite Louisbur h - Got in late & tired (after dard) (dark) - Country hilly & occasionally rocky - Soil clay with a good deal of sand - No large plantations but well covered with comfortable settlers - Forests both pine & oak. It was said some families came 15 miles to see the yanks - they looked pleased -

Tuesday May 2 -

Started at 5 - Came through Louisburgh early & in state - all the troops of our Div, in front of train - Our Div. front. Country better then yesterday - some hills mostly fine rolling lands - red clay - Hard wood - Many fine plantations - 20 miles passed Shady Grove & a hateful Nabob - At 24 miles we camped 30 miles from Warrentown - The planter at S. Grove was ordering his darkies to quarters - I asked the darkies in his hearing if their master paid them for their work now - & also told them it was Gen. Shermans order that he must. The darkies all seemed pleased to see us & shouted for "Sherman" - This is said to be the most Secesh county in the state - Camp in a thick forest on a hill overlooking a large creek.

Wednesday May 3 -

Broke camp this A. M. at \$\frac{1}{4}\$ to 5 - Our Reg in front of everything - A fine morning & cool nice day - at 6 A. M. came through Warrentown with colors & music. Quite a good old aristocratic town - some fine residences - Lousiburgh, which we passed yesterday is a handsome & still larger town, - We marched rapidly N. E. over a beautiful rolling country - Clay soil & hard timber, 16 miles to the Neuse River. Arrived at noon - Here we are waiting all the P. H. for the pontoons to be laid. The 15 & 17! A. C. have been running a race to see which would be here first. We were \frac{1}{2}\$ hour ahead - It is provokingly hard for the men - we camp on the banks of the river - I have wandered off most a mile on the bottom & found a beautiful spring under a big oak & here I pen my notes at 3 P. M. It is quiet & pleasant & I love to be alone, We are near the Va. line & I am thinking of home.

Thursday May 4.

Left the Neuse at 9 A. M. - Bridge not finished till 8 - Our Div. crossed first - Our Brig not over till 11 - This ferry is called Robertains ferry. Two miles on the hill we passed the Va. state line. The band playing "O carry me back to Va. Weather warm but we came on easily 15 miles on the road to Lawrenceville - & camped. Country



fine but few good plantations - Timber oak etc - Some hilly & rocky the last 5 miles - A few miles from the river I picked up some pretty isingglass - A good clay soil - The vicinity of the River is a fine soil & capable of supporting a large population when slavery is rooted out -

Friday May 5 -

A terrible - terrible hard day - Started at 5 amid a few springles of rain - Out 4 miles crossed the Merrin river. Left Caston 12 miles on the right & Lawrenceville 8 on the left - Also Bellfield 10 or 12 to the right - We have come 30 miles today & camp on the south side of Nottoway river - 32 miles from Petersburgh. Country part of the way sandy & part red clay - Not very thickly populated. I like the country well. Cloudy most all day - no dust - Still the 30 miles march used up the men terribly - There is great complaint - Report says some have died from exhaustion - I do not know as to the truth - We hear today that J. W. Booth has been killed.

Saturday May 6 -

Tired, terrible tired - A hot day & hard march Left camp at 6 - came 16 miles & camped on Stony Creek - 18 miles from P. Sent 18 to the Ambulance Corp this A. M. but in an hour men commenced to fall out rapidly - I am terrible tired - Went in camp at 3 P. M. - Then I washed in creek.

Sabbath May 7 -

Broke camp on Stony Creek at 6 this A. N. - Out one or two miles we crossed a corduroy, evidently an army train passed some time this spring - Here we commenced to see the devastations of war in desolated fields & deserted houses - Country generally pretty poor - a few plantations still inhabited - Five miles from Petersburgh, we crossed "Grants R. R." - We then passed Ft. Duchesne & Ft. Wadsworth & one continuous camping ground, Came through the rebel works & turning west camped 2 miles west of town. In the evening I rode through town. Went to one line of (last line) works in the east side of town. Came back through the cemetery, Ground terribly dug up & almost impossible to get along with a horse through the works on the east side of town. The two lines were less then 100 yards a part. - It was one continuous line of underground residences -

Monday May 8 -

Laid in camp all day - This morning I went out to see Ft. Craigy where there was so stubborn a fight the 2nd of Apr. last, Went out a little distance & talked with a citizen for an hour - Capt. Bruton's brother called & gave us some account of the battle of Five Forks - This P. M. have written a letter to Hattie. The 17 A. C. are passing out of town today on the road to Richmond.

Tuesday May 9 -

Had orders to start at 8 After disposing of my sick, Dr N. & myself started at 7 to see the works. Went one mile east of town to the fort which G. Grant blew up last summer Not much to be seen - Shapless piles of dirt - with earth all dur over & the rank grass



there so many brave men bled - 'ere small sights but a sufficient reward for our labor - Joined our co mand & passed in review & through town - Went 14 miles & camped for the night - The country in the Appomatox is very nice - We are on a beautiful pike. Camp in an old Rebel camp - On a little noll I found the graves of a few Mass. & N. H. soldiers evidently buried before this season.

Wednesday May 10

Left camp this A. M. at $7\frac{1}{2}$ - came 8 miles & camped outside of lanchester too miles from Richmond. Stopped at 11 A. M. one & a half miles from camp. This A. M. we came into a very strong line of Rebel breastworks - A battery across the road - One half mile to the right on a hill was a good fort called Ft. Wagner - The one that Gen. Butler captured once & held a day or so - Following the works (very nice breastworks) for a mile & quarter we came to Ft. Darling on a high bluff-- (Druries Bluff) overlooking the James River - Here was a beautiful sight. The valley of the James was spread out charmingly -

Below on the opposite side of the river were Grants works - Above was the beautiful valley with the church spires of Richmond in the distance. The river at our feet with the obstructions here & there visable wound gracefully away - The fort itself was small but strong, I hurried on & one mile from Manchester passed through another line of works which were both strong & hansome. From the river on the right as far as we could see on the left they were continuous -

Thursday May 11 -

Lying still in camp all day - This forenoon I rode down to the bridge between Manchester & Richmond. Saw the 14 & 20 A. C. passing. From the hills this side I viewed the town long & with pleasure - Saw Libby Prison from this side. Wrote to Bainbridge this P. M. - Also have been assisting men to go to the rear -

Friday 12 -

This A. M. rode over to town with the Col. & others - Saw the sights - Libby Prison - Castle Thunder - The Bennett House - State house & statutes of Washington, Jefferson, Patric Henry, Mason & Clay - Jef. Davis house etc. This afternoon have been writing to Hattie. The 17 Corps have been going today & we start at 6 A. M.

Saturday May 13 -

A cool & pleasant morning - Moved out at 6 - 4th Div. in advance of the corps - our Bri. in rear - Arrived at river found the pontoons broke loose in the ni ht, most 9 before we could commence to cross - 11 oclock when we got through town. Our Div. made a good appearance going through town (we think), Saw a few flags & hankerchiefs waving - but generally the citizens were pretty quiet - Marched part of the way in column by companies. By noon it was hot - For 10 or 12 miles the country was good with nice plantations. About 8 miles crossed the Chickahominy - After that country was poor - Sandy & wet quicksands-Few houses - Came 16 miles from R. & camped in the woods 8 miles west from Hanover Court House - Our Div. train took road towards H. P. - To complete our troubles - the mud got so bad that our regimental wagons could not come up - & they lay all night scattered for miles in mud. I begged a H Tack & a little coffee - lay down on my saddle blanket & tried to sleep - I need not say every one was cross.



Sao ath May 14 -

After sleeping a few nups 2 layin till 1 oclock this A. H. I got up 2 tried to get back to the train - After working an hour at the risk of my neck got through the mud & found the waggons - Got some Tack & coffee & arrived with the regiment at 5 - At 6 we started going east to Hanover G. H. - Found the road would be full with the 17 Corps all day - Hence we went in camp at 10 A. M. - H. G. is a desolate old brick building built in 1737 - A dismal jail - A brick church & one plantation house probably used as a hotell comprise the town - The country looks nice - R. R. Depot \(\frac{1}{2} \) mile south - Hanover County is the birthplace of Henry Clay, & Patric Henry. Heared a chaplain preach this P. H. in the church. Saw two or three of our soldiers graves near the church.

Lionday Liay 15 -

Left Hanover C. H. at 9 - Our Div. in the rear - Out 1 came to the Pamunky River - Most noon before we crossed - Very warm - Ascended the bluff & one or two miles from the river bivouked (bivouaced) in a grove & rested three hours - The view of the river bottom from the north bluff was beautiful - There for two or three miles up & down the river was a smiling meadow that looked rich - It is now mostly turned to waste - Marched about 10 miles over a country mostly rich & handsome & camped on the hills overlooking a small creek - Just as we started this A. M. the cars came in & brought the report of the capture of Jeff Davis.

Tuesday May 16

Started at 5 A. M. Went nearly east & soon struck the bottom of the River Mattapony which we followed down 2 or 3 miles to reach the bridge. Then struck N. W. & north - keeping either in or on the bluff overlooking the bottom for several miles - The river bottom seems both beautiful & fertile, out 12 miles rested a hour after 11 - came on 4 miles more to Bowling Green & rested $1\frac{1}{2}$ or $3\frac{1}{2}$ around a fine pond, just north of town. B. G. is an ancient & rusty looking town. Came on 2 or 3 miles more & camped near the R. R. & $16\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Fredericksburg - having made 22 miles this day - The country today has been good with good farms - Booth was killed 10 miles north east of Bowling Green in the same county - A hot day - 6 men have given out from heat & exhaustion.

Wednesday May 17

This has been a remarkable day - First because today we passed through Fredericksburg & second because it has been the hardest & most destructive days march I ever knew. Left camp at six going generally north came into a hilly country mostly covered with underbrush & pines & oak - no plantation but some small farms - Clay soil but with a good deal of gravel & sandy - Six miles from Fred. we came on a hill where we had a view of a most beautiful valley - & at the further extremity the spires of the town. In crossing the valley the sun became oppressive & many men gave out. Arrived at the edge of town at 11½ & bivowcked (bivouaced) on a creek with grassy bluffs & some beautiful springs gushing out of their bases - Started through town at two P. M. - Hot & dusty - Town looks old & rusty & many buildings badly perforated with shots - Seemed most entirely deserted by



citizens except a few women peddling pies their only resort for a livelyhood. Came on 8 miles - The scenes this P. M. is about the most heartrending I have seen in the army - Our best men falling down till half of the army was helpless or strag lers - I cannot forget their anxious & red countenances as they lay by the road. I think at least 20 or 25 of our regiment have fallen down not simply vired but helpless - no complete sunstroke but headache - blind - dizzy - numbness & sometimes cramps & cold sweat - The combined result of heat & exhaustion, The country on this side has been very hilly - few houses - but evidently once all cultivated but now turned out & much of it growing up to oak brush - Soil a light colored clay - poor soil - camp on a creek with some rocky crags on the borders of the valley -

Thursday May 18 -

Left camp at 5 - Our brigade in advance. Sent about 20 to the Anbulance corps & gave 20 more for the men to fall out & use as they found necessary - Our camp was 2 miles off of the regular telegraph road from Fredericksburg to Alexandria - Out a few miles passed Stafford Court H. a ruined place but I failed to notice. 15 miles from F. passed Aquia creek - Found 2nd Div train there so we left the road & went to the right - Grew warm so that more than ½ of the boys fell out & went independently - Arrived at Dumfries (24 miles from F.) at one P. M. This is an ancient town on (Aquia) creek - Now most intirely in ruins - 2 miles after passing Aquia Creek saw an arm of the Potomac where Grant had his base, At Dumfries I assended a hill & had a good sight of the Potomac & vessels passing - Came 2 miles more (22) & camped. Country today has been very hilly - most all the country has been worn out & abandoned - but few farms - land mixture of sand, clay & gravel - light colored & poor.

Friday May 19

Rained hard while we were going in camp last night - Cool & cloudy all day today - Ordered to start at six this morning but train did not come up so we did not get started till noon - Came out easily & slowly - out 7 miles crossed the Occoquan creek - Romantic spot - rocky, perpendicular banks with caskades. A town here with 20 houses all in ruins - only 2 or 3 inhabited. The Potomac sets back here & boats can come up - Soon after crossing we had a nice view of the Potomac. Came on 7 miles further & camped about 5 miles west of lit. Vernon, & some 8 miles from Alexandria - Country today has most all been cultivated but now abandoned & grown up to timber. The boys have kept up well today but I sent over 30 to ride in the wagons - The supply train has not come up tonight & the other two brigades have gone 5 miles further. Another shower this evening -

Saturday May 20 -

Here we are set down on the Potomac - Alexandria at our feet, with Washington in view & the Capitol with her white dome & Goddess of liberty standing out boldly - Left camp at six - cloudy all day - Came 5 miles & passed the other two brigades camped in a beautiful valley that looked out upon the Potomac - We were told that Mt. Vernon was 4 miles nearly east of us on the banks of the river - The 1st & 2nd Division were camped on the hills on north side of the valley - We



rested here $\frac{1}{2}$ hour - I went up in an eminence & had a fine view of the valley - the river & country - This valley is clay & not so exceedingly gravelly as all the rest of the way - Came along about 3 miles over a steep hill & rested at 11 close in the rear of Alexandria - Here I went up on the hill to Ft Lyon & had one of the grandest sights I ever saw - The view took in a large extent of the valley of the river with the hills & fields dotted with the soldiers canvas - At our feet was Alexandria & 7 miles in a direct line was the Capitol with its white dome & big proportions so prominent that one could hardly realize that it was so far - At 1 or 2 oclock a camping ground having been selected we moved to the top of a hill $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles N. West of town & camped - Received two letters from Hattie one dated Apr. 21 & the other Apr. 26 - also received my socks from home -

Sabbath May 21 -

Cloudy & wet most all day - have staid quietly at home most of the time - Received two letters from Hattie last night & one this A. M. Have been writing to her today - This evening I went over to the 7th - I think some of going with some of them to Washington tomorrow to get clothing - We today received orders to go across the river after the review to camp for several weeks -

Monday May 22 -

Had sick call after breakfast intending than to go to Washington. Found myself belated & turned the sick over to Newell & started a little after 8 on foct - 5 minutes too late for the ferry with Dr. Leonard & waited till 1 P. M. & went over with some of our officers - was in so much hurry to do shopping that I had no time to see the sights - came back without even making purchases except a hat, Saw the former house of Gen Lee -

Tuesday May 23 -

The first great day of the review - I have not been over - Have been busy getting ready - This A. M. moved camp 5 miles to lay bridge - ready for tomorrow, A fine day - cool & nice - Have been mending parts gloves etc.

Wednesday May 24 -

Another great day. The grand review today has been all the interest. Left our bivouac at 6 - crossed long bridge & massed near the Capitol, - at about 8' - Waited nearly an hour for our turn. It was an interesting march through Penn. Avenue - one mile amid a mass of human beings - gazing upon us - The review was good but the demonstrations of a reception was nothing - All the speciators seemed eager to see & watch the officers & soldiers - I could not look long enough at the stand to see more then Gen. Sherman - Logan & Grant. Arrived at our permanent camp 4 miles North of Washington at 3 - P. M. Took most 2 hours to pass from any point to pass in review -

Thursday May. 25 -

A fine day - Men have been fixing up camp today - We have drawn tents - & pitched them - Things begin to look quite cheerful - The great event of the day has arisen from the fact that I went in town



today & was just in luck enough to get pay on my muster out. (\$551.87) Had to wait to hours for my turn. Did not run around town - was tired & came home to take care of my money -

Friday May 26

Rained moderately all day I have staid in my tent, - This forenoon was making out my monthly reports. This P. M. have been writing to Hattie. Nothing of articular interest only we begin to think we shall not get home this spring - Sent home a \$100. 7-30 Bond.

Saturday May 27

Rained all the forenoon & cloudy this afternoon - I thought this norning that notwithstanding the rain I would go & spend the day looking over town - But an order came to report men unfit for duty which took all the forenoon - After noon I went down - First went through the treasury building spending an hour & out the back doors in to the yard of the hite house - went through the yard but did not attempt to enter - Looked at the equestrian figure of Jackson across the street, -Next took the cars to the capitol went around it hastily - it is too grand a mansion to comprehend at one view - Went through the hall of representatives but the Senate chamber was closed - Most admired the pictures in the rotunda. Left that at 4 P. M. & went to the patent office till it was closed at 6 P. M. - Here there was so much to see that one could not see anything. I took more particular notice of the effects of Washington, his camp chest clothes tent etc - Also the invention of Abe. Lincoln - A patent for lifting boats over shoals -Took the 71 street cars & got home by dark tired & lost in amazement at the wonders - magnitude & beauty of the sights in Washington. -

Sabbath lay 28

Went to an old Episcopal Church near here today - church built most 100 years since - This P. M. walked over to the Soldiers Cemetery - Found over 8000 graves - grounds tastefully arranged with arbors, - flower patches etc. Here they were from all parts of the union side by side - Over the door to the sextons house was a shield with these words -

Encamped on Fames immortal ground
Their whitened tents are pitched
While Glory wards with mournful round
The slumbers of the dead -

Honday May 29

This morning after sick call I got a request for leave of absence — Took it over to Drigade but found the General gone — Went again this eve & rot Dr. Marsh to approve it & then returned it to the General — Have been riting home today — This P. M. I rode around to the forts since Mess. Artillery ere garrisoning the forts. Visited Fts. Stevens — Slocum & Totten.

Tuesday May 30 -

Spent this day in town. - Went in the morning & got some sanitary stores. Then went with Newell to Med Purveyers - Then visted the Smithsonian Institute - The immense collection there of animals birds etc - was truly interesting & wonderful - I then went & spent an other hour



in the capitol. Went down to the White house but was too late - It was closed to visitors. Stopped a few moments at the patent office & then came home - We hear the 1st Div. start for Louisville tomorrow - I sent off a letter this eve to Hattie with another \$100 note, Received one from her this eve.

Wednesday May 31 -

First Div. are moving today. Have been making my monthly report, Staid at home all day except went over to see Dr. Leonard this P. M.

Thursday June 1

This has been the National fast in view of the death of the President. I have remained quietly at home - Quite warm - The offices in town closed. Spent part of the forencon writing to Hattie. My application for leave came back yesterday disapproved -

Morning June 5.

Here we are on board the Nashville at Parkersburg bound for Louisville. Left Washington Friday P. M. at 5 - At W. & P. junction had a mans le broke - Saturday Morning found us at Harpers Ferry - Passed the bold scenery of the mountains & arrived at the summit before sundown - Sabbath morning we were at Grafton - Here left the B. & O. road for Parkersburg - Detained half of the middle of the day by a reck ahead of us at W. Union - Arrived here at 2 the A. M. Here the bed goes -

Louisville Kt. Wednesday June 7

Arrived at L. about noon today - Marched out 4 miles to our camp under a terrible hot sun - Think we are to have a very good camp - We had a very pleasant trip on the boats down the river - Came 20 or 30 miles & went on a larger boat (The St Charles) a good boat & kind officers. Monday night we tied up - Tuesday very hot but pleasant riding - Passed a few large towns - Passed Cincinnati at 1 A. M. this morning, so I did not see it. It was a great divertion to see the flag & handkerchiefs at every house - Today was hot but the scenery only more magnificent -

Thursday June 8 -

After sick call went to town - found it nearly 7 miles - Saw the Medical Director - Also went to Brown Hospital & saw the surgeons in charge. Hospitals are not very full - The rest of the 4 Div. came today, - Very hot today - Sent a letter to Hattie today -

Friday June 9

A quiet hot day - I have staid quietly in camp all day - Been rather lazy - The Col. & Dr Newell left this morning & I suppose they have jone home - Dr N. rather strangely I think, went off without even saying a word to me, I do not know but he thought he was fooling me finely - Received a letter from Hattie this eve dated June 3 & P. marked 5th.



Saturday June 10 -

Nothing remarkable today - Have remained quietly in camp - Sent a man to Gen. Hospital - This eve got a notice from Dr Zearing that he ould establish a Div. Hospital.

Sabbath June 11

A quiet day - have not been to church - remained quietly in my tent. Been finishing up a letter to Bain, this P. M. Very hot & air still. This thick woods is very sultry.

Monday June 12

Another hot & sultry day - Sent out today a letter to Bain written yesterday - This P. M. have been writing to Mother. This eve. went over to the seventh to see Dr. L. a few moments - Found him playing chess with Chaplain Bigger -

Wednesday June 14 -

Yesterday the only remarkable event was the good chat at Mr. Oldhams house - Some 10 or 12 officers were there - all except myself went freely into card playing & whiskey drinking, I enjoyed myself chatting with the old lady.

Today - I received a letter from Hattie. An order came this P. M. for applicants for leave of absence - This eve took a ride out into the country a mile or two.

Thursday June 15 -

This morning after sick call rode over to Div. Hd. Qrs. & saw Dr. Zearing to enquire when we could have some med. From there I went in town & saw Medical Purveyer - Director & inspector in regard to our pension - A fine day with a fresh breeze.

Friday June 16 -

Have been at work all day making certificates of Disability for the men - Went this P. M. to see the examining board - They were at the 52nd Ill.

Saturday June 17 -

The forenoon & half of the afternoon I have been very busy presenting my candidates for discharge to the examining board. This evening about sundown came Dr. Newell & the Colonel.

Sabbath June 18 -

This morning had a sick list of 40. Heared a man from Iowa preach with the 2nd Iowa this A. M. Dr. Marsh got along from Washington this A. M. beastly drunk. Rained this afternoon - Part of our regiment paid today - Felt lonely today -

Monday June 19 -

We are having pretty warm weather - Today most of the officers went to to m & were paid - this eve, I have signed a petition for a leave of absence for 30 days - Do not much expect it granted - John left me today & started for his home near Pulaski -



Tuesday June 20 -

This A. M. the regiment went out on picket - So I had early sick call & had 52 - 26 of them I sent to duty - Then I carried my applications to Dr Marsh & then to Brigade - Rode out to the companies this P. M. -

Wednesday June 21 -

Nothing today of particular interest. I have been writing this afternoon to S. J. Lee. There is a report this evening that 12,000 men of this army are to be discharged.

Thursday June 22 -

Most all are elated over the prospects that we may be discharged — Went out $\frac{1}{2}$ mile this eve to see one of the boys (O'Hair) sick with Cholera Morbus — No particular news — Quite warm —



Account of Officers Mess Commencing Dec. 21. 1864

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			Merriman			Sundries	38.46
tf.			Vansellar			Sundries	10.00
Dec.	. 26	Q. M.	Bowser	Co.	B	10# Sugar 2.00 - Meal 1.00	
						Meat 5.50	8.50
11	30	W. H.	. Bouser	11	11	50# Meal. 2.00 Sugar 4.00	
						Flour 1.40 Vinegar .40 Soda 1.00	8.80
11	31		Merriman	Co.	B	l package Soda	1.25
Jan	2	W. H.	Bouser	11	11	Towards Lt. Odells Bill	20.00
11	11	E. P.	Burton	11	11	The rest of Lt. Odells Bill	31.00
		(Ode)	ls Bill wa	s Bu	tte	r 30. Apples 8. Soda 1. Milk. 12.	
						(In all 51.00)	
11	11		Smith			White Sugar	2.40
11	11	W. H.	Bouser	11	11	For Flour, Pork & Sugar	10.00
11	11	W. S.	Merriman	11	11	11 11 11 11	5.00
11	4	J. H.	Smith	11	11	Mackerels 1.20 beans .50	1.70
11	11	W, H.	Bouser	Di.	F	Apples sold to ()	.80
11	5		Smith	Co.	B	15# Codd fish	1.50
11			Bouser			Butter sold Carpenter	4.55
11	6	W. H.	Bouser	Co.	B	50# flour 3.50 50# Beef 8.50	
						4# Soap. ,60	12.60
11	11	11 11	11	Di	F	Corn Meal returned	2.40
						7.75	151.21
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						Returns to men this day	
11	9	E. P.	Burton	Co.	В	5# W. Sugar 1.55 -	
						10 B. Sugar 2.20	
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	Col. Henry Vansellar				3.02
11 11	Maj W. S. Merriman			Over paid " "	2.01
11 11	W. H. Bouser				14.45
11 11	J. W. Smith	Di.	F	Deficient last Month 39,55	
11 (1				Over paid last Month	19.50
11 11	C. Vansellar	11	11	50# Sugar 11.50	
				15# Coffee 7.50	19.00
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	11 11 20 20 00 01	11		Bread	1.50
	Henry Vansellar	11		20# Dried Beef	4.00
		ł†		Currant Jell & Soda Crackers	2.00
		Di		Returned to Regiment	
	W. H. Bouser	Co		50# Flour	3.50
Feb. 10	W. S. Merriman	11	11	Sundries (viz. Dried Beef -	
				Sugar & Coffee)	10.00
11 [1	W. H. Bouser	11	11	Sundries (viz. Dried Beef -	
12 45				Sugar & coffee	5.00
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" 10	T C Variation	11	18	& Soap 1.25	3.50
		Di		Hard Tack - Coffee & C Meal Sold Crawford H. Tack 1.00	12.25
	W. S. Merriman E. P. Burton			Sold Hard Tack (10#) 1.00	
	C. Vansellar			6# Coffee	3.00
	Col. Vansellar	11		Off Collect	10.00
. 13	Bouser	11		Hat for Gus	2.60
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				Codd fish 2100)	
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11		С	В	Went to hospital	2.00
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				Sundries 3.75	12.85
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				River) (Roanoke)	
				(6 strawberries & 5 peach)	
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11	14 W. S. Merriman	11	**	50# flour- 20# Sugar & 20#	9.00
11	18 " " "	11	11	fish. Fork	4.00
11			ît	Soft bread 1.00 4# butter	7.00
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				l# Salt.	
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				Peaches 1.00 Swr r 56	
				Crackers .25	5.63



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" " Envelores (50)
" " ballance () coat hats & blouse . 25 1.00 4 Recd of Feltz cotton Socks 70 11 " Paid Washing 11 .10 5 " drawers 11 2.00 " " Quartermaster for Mess 10.00 7 Rec'd of paymaster (Lupton) to Bet. ---31-1864 972.25 700.00 8 Sent in letter to Hattie Draft



Nov.	Acct Brt Over 745.75
8 Paid Candles	.40
" Postage Stamps	• 30
9 " Henry (Blackboy)	2.00
10 " Dr Leonards Note	50.00
10 " George's Note (the blackboy)	50.00
" Sent in letter to Hattie	50.00
Nov. 24 Paid Col. towards mens	20.00
Dec. 21 " To Little Mess Accts.	13.65
Dieariast on coat.	. 75
" 25 " Breakfast on Shore " 26 " Supper	.70
" 26 Supper for me & Smith	.70
" 26 Paper	1.00
" 27 Breakfast	• 30
" Dinner	•75
" Apples	.10
" Postage Stamps	•30
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Jan 1865	
Cash on Hand \$88.55	
Jan 2 Paid into Men (Odells Bill)	31.00
" 6 Rec of Bouser Error 1.25	
" 8 Put in hat at church	• 50
9 Paid Sugar, coffee for mess	8.75
" " Candles	•40
" lo " Beef for men	8.50
" 14 " Washing	•65
" 15 " in hat at Church	•50
" 18 Recd of Burgh (Hess butter) 6.50	
" Paid Frovision for Mess	20.40
" " Paper	.15
" " Shirts & Socks for Alfred	3.85
21 11001 101 1035	3.50
" 26 Rations for Alph.	1.50
Feb 3 Paid Alfred " 28 " Washing	5.00
March 3 Paid for Mess Sugar	1.00
7 4 " for Mess Meat etc.	3.50
TOT MESS Weat etc.	89.81
" 11 Recd for Hard Tack 1.00	03.01
" 28 Quartermaster boats	3.85
" Washing	.20
" 29 Received in letter 10.00	•20
" 31 Cash on Hand to Balance	13.00
	1000
April 1 1865	
Di F. Cash on Hand 13.00	
5 Paid Pants	5.90



April Continued

-	69,25	3.30
	" Candles etc	•50
	Paid Cook for Velin	1.00
	Paid Washing	•40
	Co. E. Paid lumber	1.40
	F. cash on hand	69.25
June 9.		20
	Error (\$3.00) too much - 3.00	
11 11	Cash on Hand to ballance	69.25
11 11	Paid Newell on new mess	10.00
11 11	Pd. of. Mess to sutler 11.10	
11 8	Loned Dr Leonard -	20.00
11 7	Breakfast .50 Loned Brunson	1.50
11 6	Breakfast for two 1.00 - Su per 50	1.50
11 11	Supper	.75
11 4	Cracker & Cheese 1.15 Breakfast 1.00	2.15
11 3	Recd. Sugar for ()	.45
	Paid Washing	1.50
	Gave Mr. Brunson	1.00
May 31		50.00
11 11	Sent in letter to Hattie	200.00
	Refreshments .75 .65 011 - 35	1.75
16 11	Paid Orange Mess bill last month	6.25
11 11	Recd. of Orange money borrowed (6)	0.00
11 11	" Dr Leonard borrowed money	5.00
11 11	Paid Sutler () Maj Straps	4.00
11 11	" to Dr. Newell (Making in all \$25.00)	13.00
n 29	Loned to Martin Nierburgh (pd.)	20.00
11 11	Loned to Andy Gilbert-	20.00
11 28	Put in hat at church	.50
11 11	" Bill of Groceries (by Newell) Loned Newell	22.85
11 11	" Strawberries .40 Rations (in return)	18.35
" 27	Paid for Pepper Mint .50 Ride .20	.70
	" Loned Orange 65. Making in all	66.00
11 26	" Bread 75 - Willis 25	1.00
11 11	John Hatcher 1 month wages -	10.00
11 11	Paid John Hatcher (borrowed	10.00
11 11	Loned to Orange 1.00	
" 25	Paid Lt Thurston borrowed money	10.00
11 11	Rec'd of Paymaster \$551.87	
May 25	" Lemons - C. Tarter 25 - () paper @ 30	.80
11 11	" Oranges 35 - Ferry 25 15	.75
Hay 22	Paid Hat	5.00
11 11	Paid bread, 1.00 4# Butter 2.00 for Mess	3.00
11 20	Borrowed of John Hatcher \$10.00 Paid May 25	•00
Noy 12	Soda, 35 Papers .20	• 40
25	" Papers	2.30 .40
22	Paid Hospital Bill - lodging & lunch	10.00
21	Forroved of Lieut Thurston, \$10. 66! Ill. Paid May 25	70.00
	Paid my share of boat ride	1.50
	Peper & Soda	• 30
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		Brot over	69.25 -	3.30
		June 19 1863		
	19	Rec'd of Orange loned May 26 60.00		
11	11	of Newell balances on mess 66.00 (paid June	8)	
11		Paid John his months wages		10.00
11		" Merriman his mess account		9.00
11		Rec of A. Gilbert loned May 29 20.00		
11		Gave Alfred		2.00
11		Rec of Paymaster 241.20		
11		" M. Nierburgh Borrowed May 29 \$20.00		
11		Paid Ice Cream		1.60
11		Paid Merriman old first account		15.00
11		" Newell weeks mess account		6.40
11		Paid Interest on 7-30 bond70		
11		Rcc. of Dr Leonard (loned) 70.00		
11		Paid Vest 5,00 Shoes 4.00		9.00
11		Leaves .50 R. R. Fare 50		1.00
11		Paid Mess 10 & 2		12.00
11		R, R. Fare		24,40
11		Extra R. R. at Indianapolis to Columbus		6.25
11		R. R. Troy to Burnswick		4.90
11	IJ	Incidentals on the road about		3,50
			487.15 -	108.35
July	1	Childrens presents		2,35
11		at Burnswick		1.50
11	3	Rent		3.60
11	11	V Charon		.75
11	8	Shirts 5.50 Belby Hat 1,50		7.00
11	Ħ	its ite a botte late of vo.		4.40
19	15	Sugar (13#)		2.00
11	11	Stage from W. J. to Brotten		3.00
11	77	114 115 2010		.40
11	11	Watch Repairing		2.00
11	11	a citizen		, 65
11	11	Flass		,50
11	17			4,50
11	11	Collars .40 - Lemons .30		.70
11	15			20.00
11	17	Borroyed of Hattie 5.00		
11	15	Borrewed of Hattie 2.50		
11	'1	Pd 7-30 Bonls		200.00
11	11	Cash on Hand to		124.00
		Error of -		4.00



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